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TOWN of GILFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE



YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

ANNUAL REPORTS

YOUR 1976 TOWN REPORT

In final salute to the American Revolution Bicentennial your 1976 Town Report commemorates Gilford's celebration of our country's two hundredth birthday.

Throughout the report you will find pictures and brief descriptions of our Town's bicentennial special events and activities.

Special commendation is due our Bicentennial Commission that, in a great "spirit of 76 American patriotism" organized and conducted the Town's celebration. The Bicentennial Commission members are listed herein with their own report.

Please join us in thanking them for a job well done and in extending to our nation one more "HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA."

Steve McCabe
Chief Administrator

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TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Gilford in the County of Belknap in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Gilford Elementary School in said Gilford on Tuesday, the 8th of March, 1977, at 8 of the clock in the forenoon (polls to be opened from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1: To choose the necessary Town Officers for the following year.

Article 2: To see what action the Town will take on the following questions:

Amendment 1. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Revise provisions concerning temporary sign permits as provided in Article III E.3.d. so that a temporary sign permit may be issued for 60 consecutive business days instead of 30 consecutive business days as presently provided.

Amendment 2. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Revise Article V.B.2.d. so that only boathouses can be altered within forty feet of the high water mark on Lake Winnepesaukee.

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Amendment 3. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Insert a requirement in Article V.B.1 that where lots with frontage on Lake Winnepesaukee are served by a right-of-way, said lots shall have a fifty (50) foot road frontage.

Amendment 4. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Insert a new section in Article VII (Commercial District) which will require site landscaping be submitted to the Planning Board as part of the site plan, and that front yards be landscaped and maintained with lawn, trees, shrubs, or kept in comparable condition.

Amendment 5. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Insert in Article XVII D.2. the words "Conservation Commission" so that a special exception to erect any structure on or alter the surface configuration of very poorly drained land or alluvial soils in wet land conservation areas will require review and recommendation of the Planning Board, Town Engineer and Conservation Commission.

Amendment 6. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Revise the boundaries of the Residential-Agricultural zone to extend said zone to Old Lake Shore Road and approximately five hundred (500) feet from Route 11 between Route 11B and Lazy Brook Lane, thus eliminating the Commercial Zone in the Sawyer Meadow area except for the 500 foot strip along Route 11.

Amendment 7. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Revise Article VII C. by adding a requirement for a minimum of one parking space for each wet slip in marinas.

Amendment 8. Are you in favor of adoption of amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Revise Article XVI so that there will be added a definition of "Abutter" to read as follows "any property owner whose land is contiguous to that being considered or would be were it not for a right-of-way."

Article 3. To see what action the Town will take on the following question:

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy heating or cooling system which exemption shall be in an amount of the cost of the solar system installed? (By Petition)

Article 4. To see what action the Town will take on the following question:

Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to five members? (By Petition)

Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, are to appear on the official Town ballot.

Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000.00 for the purpose of building and equipping a police station and a public works garage and for site improvements relating thereto, to be raised by the issuance of bonds or notes, and authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine their terms and conditions in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (chapter 33 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated 1955 and any amendments thereto).

(Requires a two-thirds vote by ballot.)

(Submitted without recommendation by the Budget Committee.)

Article 6: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of paying salaries to the elected officers of the Town.

Article 7: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the general governmental expenses of the Town for the ensuing year, including: Selectmen's Administrative Expenses, Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Expenses, Election and Registration, Appraisal Department Expenses, Property Revaluation, Property Mapping, Insurance, Retirement and Social Security, Building Code and Zoning Enforcement, Audit, Legal Expenses, Dog Damage, New Hampshire Humane Society, Informational/Directional Plaza Signs, Memorial Day.

Article 8: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the following boards and commissions: Gilford Planning Board, Lakes Region Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission, Budget Committee.

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,781 for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a boat to be used principally for fire protection and emergency rescue.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,500 for the purpose of replacing the present Fire Department Engine Five. (Submitted without recommendation by the Budget Committee.)

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,289 for the purchase of a Fire Department Rescue Vehicle.

(Submitted without recommendation by the Budget Committee.)

Article 12: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Fire Department.

Article 13: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Police Department.

Article 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for other Public Safety expenses, including: Ambulance Service, Civil Defense.

Article 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Welfare, includ-

ing: Old Age Assistance, Direct Relief, Town Welfare Department Administrative Expense.

Article 16: To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be contributed for Health and Welfare purposes to the following non-profit organizations: Lakes Region General Hospital, Lakes Region Community Health Agency, Community Action Program, New Hampshire Easter Seal Society, Lakes Region-Twin Rivers Human Services Coordinating Council.

Article 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Public Works in the Town, including: Town Engineering Department Expense, Town Building Maintenance Expenses, Wilson House Improvements, Glendale Wharves and Parking, Laconia Water Works, Care of Cemeteries, Winnepesaukee River Basin Program, Waste Disposal Operating Expenses, Waste Disposal Land Acquisition, Site Improvement, Survey & Design, Street Lighting.

Article 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase or replacement of Highway Equipment.

Article 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for New Highway Construction.

Article 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Expenses of the Highway Department.

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,124 for the maintenance, construction, or reconstruction of Class V Highways. (Town Road Aid.)

Article 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Gilford Public Library.

Article 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Recreational Purposes, including: Gilford Beach Operating and Maintenance Expenses, Gilford Beach Capital Improvements, Village Field Operating and Maintenance Expenses, Stonewall Park Improvements, Lincoln Park, Old Home Day.

Article 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for advertising the advantages and resources of the Town, including: Lakes Region Association, Commercial and Industrial Development Project.

Article 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Debt Service, including: Interest on Temporary Loans, Interest on Long-term Notes and Bonds, Principal Payments on Long-term Notes and Bonds.

NOTE: The warrant, as printed here, does not include any recommended withdrawals from the Federal Revenue Sharing fund because the public hearing on proposed uses of those funds was not yet held when this report went to print. Recommendations for withdrawal of Revenue Sharing funds are included in the official warrant posted on February 21, 1977, copies of which are available at the Selectmen's office at Gilford Town Hall.

Article 26. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposals:

We the undersigned, being residents of Gilford, New Hampshire, hereby petition the Board of Selectmen and the Town Meeting to prohibit by ordinance:

Domestic cats from running at large within the limits of the Town of Gilford; authorize the impound-

ing of cats running at large whether licensed or unlicensed; authorize the redemption of impounded cats and provide a penalty for violation of the prohibitions of said ordinance. (By Petition)

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 29 of the Town Meeting of 1965 which established a Recreation Commission in and for the Town as follows:

The Town authorizes the establishment of a Recreation Commission to be elected at Town Meeting consisting of five citizens who shall serve without pay.

This article does not affect the terms of the current appointed members of the Board but provides that members shall be elected at the Town election immediately prior to the expiration of each term to succeed to office upon the expiration of the appointee's term. All elected terms shall be for three years and expire on Town Meeting Day. Any vacancies that occur shall be filled by appointment by the Selectmen only until the next Town election when a member shall be elected for the unexpired term. (By Petition)

Article 28. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal:

We the undersigned being resident voters of the Town of Gilford and/or owners of land that abutts that portion of Wild Acres Road that extends between Sherwood Forest Drive and Liberty Hill Road pray that said portion of Wild Acres Road be designated as a Scenic Road under the provision N.H. RSA Chapter 253, Sections 17 and 18. (By Petition)

Article 29. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal:

An Ordinance Relating to Private Roads.

Upon the death, default, bankruptcy or negligence of a developer which causes hazardous private road conditions for residents and town vehicles, the Town of Gilford shall claim those roads as public and shall maintain, repair, and rebuild those roads as public to meet standards as deemed necessary by the Selectmen to provide safe passage, if petitioned by 50 % of the residents of that hazardous road. The Selectmen shall call all bonds, notes, deeds, or monies pledged by the developer for road construction, and shall exhaust all legal means available upon that developer for full payment of expenses involved in completing for safe passage any road so claimed.

And also, the Selectmen may prohibit that developer from further road construction and development in the Town of Gilford or may require that developer to deposit in a bank of his choice, the full amount of further road construction, to be drawn by the Town of Gilford upon his default or returned to the developer as work progresses.

Effective date: As soon as approved by vote. (By petition)

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, receive and accept State and/or Federal funds that may become available with the provision that such funds may not be expended without an appropriation authorized by an Annual or Special Town Meeting.

Article 31. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal:

The petitioners request that the following amendment to the "Ordinance Regulating the use of Snow-Traveling Vehicles in The Town of Gilford," be included in the 1977 Town Warrant.

The amendment is as follows :

Add to paragraph 4 — “Except that there be no restrictions from Friday noon to Sunday noon.” (By Petition)

Article 32. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal :

We the undersigned registered voters hereby petition the Town of Gilford to place the following article in the town warrant. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$995.29 to support the continuation of services to low income and elderly residents of Gilford through the Community Action Program, Belknap/Merrimack Counties, Inc. (By Petition)

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the Fire Department By-Laws (adopted March, 1964, and amended March 1968) as follows (to in effect abolish the positions of elected Fire Engineers and have the Board of Selectmen sole managers of all Fire Department operations and affairs) :

Section 1. The Fire Department of the Town of Gilford, shall consist of The Board of Selectmen, The Fire Chief, permanent Firemen and volunteer Firemen. The Board of Selectmen shall have at all times the control of all fire apparatus designed for the extinguishment of fire in the Town and the appointment and control of all permanent firemen and such volunteer firemen as shall be deemed necessary.

Section 2. The Fire Chief shall be appointed by the elected members of the Board of Selectmen, to serve for an indefinite period of time, depending upon his good conduct and efficiency. He shall have the technical qualifications and the duties prescribed by statute. He may be removed by the Board of Selectmen but for only just cause.

Section 3. There shall be the necessary number of permanent paid firemen to afford the Town coverage on a twenty-four hour per day basis. A permanent fireman shall serve during good behavior and performance at the pleasure of the the Selectmen.

Section 4. There shall be a sufficient number of volunteer firemen as deemed necessary by the Board of Selectmen. A volunteer fireman shall remain a member of the Fire Department until he shall resign, move from Town, die or be removed for just cause.

Section 5. No Town official shall be disqualified to serve as a member of the Fire Department by virtue of the office he holds.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to appoint the succeeding Fire Chief when a vacancy occurs.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to appoint the permanent firemen and to remove same for just cause.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to approve the membership of volunteer firemen and to remove same for just cause.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to submit an itemized estimate of the money necessary to be raised or appropriated for all purposes relating to the Fire Department for the year ensuing when requested by the Budget Committee for consideration at the Annual Town Meeting.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Selectmen to supervise the expenditures of the Fire Department. They shall keep an accurate record of same and shall submit to the Town such bills for payment.

The Board of Selectmen shall have general supervision and control over the operation of the Fire

Department and shall have full power to make all rules for the government of the department, and to enforce said rules. The Fire Chief and assistants shall have all powers possessed by Firewards in the extinguishment of fires. The Board of Selectmen shall consult the Fire Chief on all matters covered under this section.

Section 7. Any by-law, or part thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this by-law is hereby repealed.

Section 8. The invalidity or unconstitutionality of any part of this by-law shall not affect any other part thereof.

Section 9. This by-law shall take effect upon its passage. (By Petition)

Article 34. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal:

An Ordinance Relative to the Installation and Operation of Heating and Cooking Appliances Fired by a Solid Fuel

Section 1. Standards Adopted. The Manual on Clearances for Heat Producing Appliances, National Fire Protection Association, 1976, Edition of No. 89M is hereby adopted along with references for all new and existing installations and operations of wood and coal heating or cooking appliances.

Section 2. Application. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply equally to new and existing conditions, except that existing conditions not in strict compliance with the requirements as stated in NFPA #89M shall be permitted to continue where exceptions do not constitute a distinct hazard to life and property in the opinion of the Fire Official.

The above supercedes Section 102.1 of the Gilford Building Code for the installation and operation of wood and coal heating or cooking appliances only.

Section 3. Permit Required.

- a.) A permit to install wood and/or coal burning heating and cooking appliances shall be required and may be obtained from the Fire Department.
- b.) A permit to operate wood and/or coal burning heating and cooking appliances shall be required and shall be granted by the Fire Official after inspection reveals proper installation according to NFPA #89M.

Section 4. Enforcement. The Chief of the Fire Department shall be responsible for the enforcement of this ordinance. The use or installation of any appliances covered by the provisions of NFPA Document #89M except in compliance with this ordinance is prohibited. Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined an amount up to ten (\$10) dollars for each day that the violation exists.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Article 35. To see what action the Town will take on the following proposal:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept Economic Development Administration (EDA) or similar federal funds for the purpose of constructing a Public Works Garage, Salt Shed and Town Engineer's Office and/or a Police Station should said funds become available to the Town of Gilford.

Intent: Plans have been drafted for these facilities which are the top priorities in the Town's capital

improvement program as identified by the Town Planner, the Town Comprehensive Plan, the Planning Board and the Town Building Committee and as voted by the 1974 Town Meeting, Article #7. If Gilford qualifies the monies received would be an outright gift, for the purpose of putting people to work, with no strings attached. (By Petition)

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, contract for and accept State and/or Federal aid relative to disasters.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money on the credit of the Town in anticipation of taxes.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and transfer title to all real estate taken by the Town in default of redemption from any tax sale, to such persons and upon such conditions as they shall see fit.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, contract for, and accept State and/or Federal aid relative to the Community Development Act Block Grant Program.

Article 40. To transact any other business which may legally come before such meeting.

In accordance with a resolution adopted at the 1957 Town Meeting a motion will be presented to adjourn to the Gilford Middle High School in said Gilford on Wednesday, the 9th of March, 1977, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to take up Articles 5 through 43.

Given under our hands and seal, this 17th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-six.

William J. Morrison, Chairman
Gregory M. Dickinson
Clifford W. Birch
Selectmen of Gilford, N. H.

A true copy of warrant — Attest :

William J. Morrison, Chairman
Gregory M. Dickinson
Clifford W. Birch
Board of Selectmen

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GILFORD

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, 1977

Compared with
Estimates and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and
Expenditures of 1976

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue 1976	Actual Revenue 1976	Estimated Revenue 1977
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	54,000	56,931	56,931
Savings Bank Tax	6,000	6,599	6,599
Meals and Rooms Tax	29,000	34,398	36,117
Highway Subsidy	21,422	21,422	21,803
Reimb. Forest Conservation Aid ..	325	414	414
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax	57,969	57,970	60,867
Sewer Project Reimbursements			38,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	1,400	135	135
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	1,400	1,580	1,600
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	5,000	6,198	6,000
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	95,000	114,175	80,000
Interest on Taxes and Deposits	20,000	26,178	25,000
Telephone Commissions	10	77	75
Fines & Forfeits —			
Municipal & District Court	700	824	800
National Bank Stock Taxes	90		90
Resident Taxes Retained	26,000	31,071	36,000
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	500	1,203	1,500
Rent of Town Property	195	305	300
Income from Departments	1,200	813	900
Sale of Maps & Books	125	85	100
Alarm Systems	240	220	
Income from Bicentennial Com.	7,500	3,517	
County:			
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	6,587		13,174
From Federal Sources:			
EPA Reimbursement	22,500		22,500
Revenue Sharing	57,936	47,718	47,720
Reimb. Matching Funds	6,000		11,000
Total Revenues from all Sources			
Except Property Taxes	421,099	411,833	467,625
Amount to be Raised by Property			
Taxes	770,162		738,158
Total Revenues	1,170,118		1,205,783

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GILFORD

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, 1977

Compared with
Estimates and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and
Expenditures of 1976

Purpose of Appropriations	Appropriations Previous Year 1976	Appropriations Recommended by Budget Committee 1977	Submitted without Recommendation
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	18,534	19,473	
Town Officers' Expenses	81,500	91,143	
Election & Registration Expenses	2,390	800	
Appraisal & Reval.	75,213	63,683	
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs. ..	25,000	36,006	
Employee Retirement	31,011	32,688	
Other General Government	24,805	21,290	
Town Engineering Department ...	36,000	38,200	
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	150,764	165,058	
Fire Department	91,571	91,571	
Insurance	42,244	62,630	
Planning & Zoning & other boards	15,735	14,735	
Damages & Legal Expense	5,075	5,214	
Civil Defense	338	100	
Health Dept. & Ambulance			
Health & Welfare Contributions ..	15,950	15,950	
Sewer Maint. & Payments	13,080	18,184	
Town Dump & Garbage Removal ..	35,376	53,451	
	43,800	35,501	
Highways & Bridges:			
Street Lighting	10,000	10,900	
General Expenses of Highway Department	180,930	207,355	
Town Road Aid	1,082	1,124	
Libraries	22,243	23,587	
Public Welfare:			
Direct Relief	8,700	9,100	
Old Age Assistance	2,300	7,400	
Admin. Expense	400	500	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day, Etc.	100	118	
Recreation	27,500	37,664	

Public Service Enterprises			
Municipal Water — Laconia W. W.	2,936	2,936	
Cemeteries	450	550	
Glendale Wharves & Parking	3,400	3,498	
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	1,050	1,500	
Debt Service:			
Principal & Long Term Notes			
and Bonds	20,000	10,000	
Interest — Long Term Notes			
and Bonds	2,968	2,218	
Interest on Temporary Loans	16,750	31,500	
Capital Outlay:			
Police Station/Public Works			
Garage			300,000
Boat for Fire/Rescue		16,781	
Fire Engine Replacement			59,500
Rescue Vehicle			27,289
New Highway Equipment	82,716	32,375	
New Highway Construction	35,350	41,000	
Fire Pond	9,000		
Sewer Planning	40,000		
Bicentennial	15,000		
Total Appropriations	1,191,261	1,205,783	386,789

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE TOWN BUDGET

And Explanation of Appropriations Articles in the Town Warrant

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
ARTICLE 5:		
While the need for a new Police Station and a Public Works garage has been noted by planners for several years, and considerable planning has been accomplished, no plans were submitted to the Budget Committee in time for consideration. The Committee therefore submits this proposal without recommendation.		Without Rec.
ARTICLE 6: Town Officers' Salaries		
Selectmen (three at \$1514.67 each)	4,544	4,544
Town Clerk/Tax Collector (7.4% increase recommended by selectmen)	12,590	13,528
Treasurer (\$200 recommended by selectmen)	1,200	1,400
Overseer of Welfare — (his suggestion)	200	1
ARTICLE 7: General Government		
Selectmen's Administrative Expense (Wages and general expenses of the Selectmen's Office, not including Selectmen's salaries. Wages & salaries in this account are up an average of 6.3%.)	55,500	60,499
Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Expenses (Wages and general expenses of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office, but not including the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's salary. Average wage increase in this account is approximately 6%. In addition, one person was employed for less than a full year in 1976, so that the total amount budgeted for salaries increases is greater.	26,000	30,644
Election & Registration (fewer elections in 1977)	2,390	800

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
Appraisal Department Expenses (Wages and expenses of the appraiser and his office. Average wage increase 5.4%.)	30,213	32,183
Property Revaluation (\$76,500 total is substantially less than the amount es- timated a year ago)	45,000	31,500
N.H.M.A. Collective Bargaining Service	1,368	
Property Mapping	1,000	1,000
Insurance (Both general insurance for the Town and Workmen's Compensa- tion, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, etc. for employees. Increase is due to in- creased rates for same coverage.)	42,244	62,630
Retirement & Social Security	31,011	32,688
Bldg. Code & Zoning enforcement	6,705	6,840
Audit (\$11,836 from 1976 appropriation paid for auditing 3 years. The \$3196 balance from 1976 plus \$3750 will cover two more years and bring the audit up to date.)	15,032	3,750
Legal Expense. (Based on 1976 experi- ence when \$8454 was spent, the se- lectmen requested \$10,000 for 1977. A majority of the Budget Committee felt that a better projection of needs should be possible.)	5,000	5,000
Dog Damage (\$600 spent in 1976)	75	214
New Hampshire Humane Society (Saves Gilford the cost of maintaining a Town Pound and Pound-keeper.)	700	700
Informational/Directional Plaza Signs (New item. Four signs at \$1500 each plus maintenance for first year. Esti- mated rental revenue for first year is \$3000. Estimated total cost over five years for building and maintenance is \$15,000 with estimated revenue over the same period also \$15,000, so this should be an eventual cost/rev- enue washout.)		9,000

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
Memorial Day (Wreath, flowers, and publishing notice for Memorial Day observance)	100	118

ARTICLE 8: Boards & Commissions

Gilford Planning Board (Wages & Expenses)	8,882	8,000
Lakes Region Planning Commission (Gilford's share, based 50% on population and 50% on equalized evaluation)	3,806	4,082
Zoning Board of Adjustment	1,037	1,064
Conservation Commission	1,200	1,240
Budget Committee	400	349
Historic District Commission	410	

ARTICLE 9: Boat for Fire/Rescue 16,781

Summer residents of our islands, who pay substantial taxes for which they receive little direct benefit, have long requested that the Town have a boat for emergency use on the lake.

ARTICLE 10: Replace Fire Engine Five

The Fire Engineers recommend that this engine be replaced because it was poorly designed, has been a maintenance problem since delivery, and is difficult to operate safely. The cost estimate is \$69,500 less approximately \$10,000 trade allowance. The Budget Committee would like to have a detailed outside evaluation of this engine in particular, and also of the overall equipment needs of the Fire Department, before recommending any expenditure for replacement. It is "submitted without recommendation" to permit a vote by the Town.

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ARTICLE 11: Rescue Vehicle

The Fire Engineers have requested \$27,289 for this purpose, with \$7500

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	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
offsetting federal funds expected. The Budget Committee feels that this request is premature. The Fire Department is doing a good job with its existing rescue vehicle, and can continue to do so for another year. The need for rescue vehicles should be carefully considered along with an overall evaluation of rescue and ambulance services, before the present contract with Forest Park expires in 1978.		
ARTICLE 12: Fire Department	91,571	91,571
Wages and general expenses of the Fire Department, including pay increases averaging 6.4%. The 1976 appropriation also included \$4,250 for the Fire Chief's car.		
ARTICLE 13: Police Department	150,764	165,058
Wages and general expenses of the Police Department, including average pay increases of 5.5%. Also includes replacement of two cruisers.		
ARTICLE 14: Other Public Safety		
Ambulance Service. Contract runs to November 15, 1978.	15,950	15,950
Civil Defense	338	100
ARTICLE 15: Public Welfare		
Old Age Assistance	2,300	7,400
Direct Relief	8,700	9,100
Administrative Expense	400	500
ARTICLE 16: Health & Welfare Contributions		
Lakes Region General Hospital	6,648	7,000
Lakes Region Community Health Agency	6,000	10,750
Community Action Program (\$995 requested)	432	432

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
Easter Seal Society (\$2500 requested for Sheltered Workshop start-up funds)		1
Lakes Region-Twin Rivers Human Ser- vices Coordinating Council (\$360 re- quested)		1
The last two were received too late for proper consideration by the Budget Committee.		
ARTICLE 17: Public Works		
Town Engineering Department Expenses	36,000	38,200
Wages and general expenses of the Town Engineer and his office, includ- ing 6.3% average wage increase.		
Town Building Maintenance Expense	25,000	30,006
Wilson House Improvements		6,000
Minimum repairs and maintenance to maintain status quo. Selectmen had recommended \$18,000 for more exten- sive improvements.		
Glendale Wharves and Parking	33,400	3,498
Laconia Water Works	2,936	2,936
Fee for pipe footage and hydrants in Ridgewood-Bedford area.		
Care of Cemeteries	450	550
Care of four old cemeteries (three in 1976). Need in other cemeteries will be investigated.		
Winnepesaukee River Basin Program	6,202	2,000
Gilford's share of administrative cost. (Will be about \$4,000 per year.)		
Gilford's share of construction cost (one year of 20) plus cost this year of Town work to coordinate with State construction.	29,174	51,451
Waste Disposal Operating Expense	33,000	35,500
Part of 1977 at Laconia Landfill and part at new transfer site.		

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
Waste Disposal Land Acquisition, Site Improvement, Survey & Design \$1,800 requested by Selectmen. Approximately \$40,000 carryover from 1976 and previous years is available. The Budget Committee could see little need for adding more.	10,800	1
Street Lighting Increased rates, two new lights, and pedestrian crossing at Plaza.	10,000	10,900
ARTICLE 18: Highway Equipment Replace Truck No. 3: \$26,975 Replace Scout 5,400	82,716	32,375
ARTICLE 19: New Hwy. Construction Total anticipated expenditure in 1977, including carryover funds from previous years, is \$54,200. Of this, \$29,000 is for work which must be done at the same time as State sewer construction.	35,350	41,000
ARTICLE 20: Highway Department Road Maintenance & re-construction Includes \$6400 for sweeper rental, & 4.9% average wage increases. Equipment Maintenance & Operation The Highway Department budget figure includes wage increases averaging 4.5%.	144,000 36,930	166,050 41,305
ARTICLE 21: Town Road Aid Paid to the State, which then will return \$8,616.	1,082	1,124
ARTICLE 22: Library This is a lump-sum appropriation to be paid to the Library Trustees, who operate independently of the Town. The amount requested was \$24,387. The Bud-	22,243	23,587

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
get Committee questions the amount needed for a new door to comply with safety regulations. Also, the expenditure in 1976 of funds for planning purposes not included in the budget indicates the possibility of reduced operating expense.		

ARTICLE 23: Recreation

Gilford Beach Operating and Maint.	13,753	14,035
Gilford Beach Capital Improvements Landscaping and Parking	1,750	13,200
Village Field Operating & Maint. Requested amount was \$7,329, to include a summer playground program not recommended by the Budget Committee.	6,473	3,429
Village Field Capital Improvements	1,716	
Stonewall Park Improvements Carryover funds from 1975 were spent in 1976. Matching funds of \$6,000 for 1976 and \$2,500 for 1977 anticipated.		5,000
Lincoln Park	808	500
Old Home Day	3,000	1,500

ARTICLE 24: Advertising

Lakes Region Association Requested amount was \$1,103. The Budget Committee is concerned that Gilford (along with two other Towns) has paid consistently more than its share for this purpose. We would like to see the payment keyed to the benefit derived — perhaps a percentage of the Rooms & Meals Tax collected in the Town.	1,050	500
Commercial & Industrial Development Project For providing publicity and information to businesses which may be interested in locating in Gilford, and		1,000

	Appropriated 1976	Budget 1977
planning for commercial and industrial development. The selectmen requested \$500. The Budget Committee, in its recommendation, has increased this to \$1,000 to stress its importance.		
ARTICLE 25: Debt Service		
Interest on Temporary Loans	16,750	31,500
Interest on Long-term Notes and Bonds	2,968	2,218
Principal payments on Long-term Notes and Bonds	20,000	10,000
Other Appropriations in 1976		
Sewer Study	40,000	
Fire Pond	9,000	
Bicentennial	15,000	
TOTAL:	\$1,191,261	\$1,205,783
Amount submitted without recommendation:		\$ 386,789

Note: If the Budget Committee's budgets for Town and School District are adopted without change, the 1977 tax rate is estimated at approximately \$29.50, or one dollar less than the 1976 rate. (This is based on the assumption of a 10% increase in County Tax Assessment and a 5% increase in total property valuation.) Adding the items submitted without recommendation would increase the tax rate about one dollar to \$30.50 (the same as 1976), the exact amount depending on the terms of the bond issue for new buildings.

Gilford Municipal Budget Committee
Richard H. Campbell, Jr., Chairman

February 13, 1977

SCHOOL WARRANT
The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District of the town of GILFORD qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the **Gilford Elementary School** in said district on the **8th day of March 1977** at **eight o'clock** in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a School District Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a School District Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a School District Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose two (2) School District Auditors for the ensuing year.
5. To choose two (2) School Board members for the ensuing three years.

POLLS WILL OPEN AT 8:00 A.M. AND WILL NOT CLOSE BEFORE 7:00 P.M.

Given under our hands at said GILFORD this 7th day of February, 1977.

A true copy of warrant — Attest:

Leo Sanfacon, Chairperson
Mary Lou Grevatt
Elizabeth MacDonald
Alida Millham
James Thompson
School Board

SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Gilford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Gilford Middle/High School in said district on the 16th day of March, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

2. To hear the reports of the Agents, Auditors, Committees of Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

3. To choose Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officers and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district.

5. To empower the School Board to ask the Division of Municipal Accounting of the state of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration, to conduct a certified audit of the school district's 1976-77 financial records by no later than January 1, 1978.

6. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 7th day of
February, 1977.

Leo Sanfacon, Chairperson
Mary Lou Grevatt
Elizabeth MacDonald
Alida Millham
James Thompson
School Board

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

Leo Sanfacon, Chairperson
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School Board

PROPOSED BUDGET

Gilford School District 1976-77

Expenditures

Purpose of Appropriation	Budget Committee	
	Approved Budget 1976-77	Recommended 1977-78
Administration		
110 Salaries	2,120	2,120
135 Contracted Services	600	750
190 Other Expenses	6,300	4,800
Instruction		
210 Salaries	961,206	1,018,377
215 Textbooks	13,136	8,429
220 Libr. & Audiovisual Materials	39,871	42,719
230 Teaching Supplies	41,795	49,952
235 Contracted Services	10,542	15,509
290 Other Expenses	19,047	19,041
Attendance Services	125	125
Health Services	35,187	41,665
Pupil Transportation	66,700	69,719
Operation of Plant		
610 Salaries	81,942	89,244
630 Supplies	10,000	11,000
635 Contracted Services	3,150	3,500
640 Heat	12,580	14,525
645 Utilities	93,863	94,490
Maintenance of Plant	37,485	19,906
Fixed Charges		
850 Employee Ret. & F.I.C.A.	90,196	96,160
855 Insurance	50,068	48,119
School Lunch & Spec. Milk Progm.	35,320	47,811
Student-Body Activities	42,112	45,508
Capital Outlay		
1265 Sites	12,105	1
1266 Buildings .....	.....	1
1267 Equipment	34,513	11,555
Debt Service		
1370 Principal of Debt	325,000	325,000
1371 Interest on Debt	197,838	181,913

Outgoing Transfer Accts. in State		
1477.1 Tuition .....	.....	2,000
1477.3 Supervisory Union Exp.	49,286	49,745
Expend. to other than Pub. Schs. ..	10,000	5,320
Adult Education	7,050	1
Federal Projects	5,000	5,000
Total Appropriations	2,294,137	2,324,005

Receipts

	Estimated Revenues	
Revenues & Credits Available to Reduce School Taxes	Approved Revenues 1976-77	Budget Committee 1977-78
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE	42,402	14,835
Revenue from State Sources:		
Sweepstakes	32,449	32,500
School Building Aid	116,639	116,639
Driver Education	7,000	7,000
Foster Children	1,000	1,000
Incentive Aid	2,297	2,297
Revenue from Federal Sources:		
Sch. Lunch & Special Milk Progm.	21,000	32,000
Federal Projects	5,000	5,000
Local Revenue Except Taxes:		
Tuition	132,209	145,202
Rent	53,023	52,069
Other Revenue from Local Sources	12,785	6,023
Total School Revenues and Credits	425,804	414,565
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	1,868,333	1,909,440
Total Appropriations	2,294,137	2,324,005

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE 1977-78 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

A detailed breakdown and explanation of the budget proposed by the School Board is given in material prepared by the School District administration.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of the School Board's proposal with two exceptions:

Account 855: INSURANCE

School Board request: \$70,312 Budget: \$48,119

The difference represents a School Board proposal for a substantial increase in fringe benefits, in providing a full family Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan for teachers.

Account 1267: EQUIPMENT

School Board request: \$14,555 Budget: \$11,555

While the School Board's figure is substantially less than either the 1976-77 figure or the original school requests for 1977-78, the Budget Committee feels that it still contains items which the taxpayer should not be asked to pay for.

Gilford Municipal Budget Committee
Richard H. Campbell, Jr., Chairman

February 13, 1977

DEDICATION



PHILLIP R. BRYANT

Your 1976 Town Report is dedicated to Phil Bryant who served the Town as its road agent for twenty years and retired in 1977.

Phil never missed a snowstorm due to illness in twenty years, maintained an ever-increasing number of roads in an excellent manner, and won the admiration and respect of his work associates and the townspeople.

Thank you, Phil, for a job well done.

Annual Reports

of the town of

GILFORD

New Hampshire



for the year ending

December 31, 1976

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TOWN OFFICERS

1976

OFFICERS ELECTED BY BALLOT AT BIENNIAL ELECTION

Term commencing on Day of Biennial Election

Two Year Terms

MODERATOR

Peter V. Millham	Term Expires 1978
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REPRESENTATIVES TO GENERAL COURT

Esther R. Nighswander	Norman C. Marsh
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Six Year Terms

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Horatio B. Tower, Jr.	Eerm Expires 1982
Susan M. Harris	Term Expires 1978
Marie L. Jordan	Term Expires 1980

OFFICERS ELECTED BY BALLOT AT TOWN MEETING

Term commencing on day of Town Meeting

One Year Terms

Town Clerk	Lorraine T. Royce
Tax Collector	Lorraine T. Royce
Town Treasurer	Michael Sullivan
Overseer of Public Welfare	William M. Connolly

Three Year Terms

SELECTMEN

William J. Morrison, Chm.	Term Expires 1978
Gregory M. Dickinson	Term Expires 1979
Clifford W. Birch	Term Expires 1977

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Milo F. Bacon	Term Expires 1979
Ray C. Watson	Term Expires 1977
Wayne E. Snow	Term Expires 1978

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Eulalee Pitou	Term Expires 1977
Madeline Connelly	Term Expires 1979
Horatio B. Tower, Jr.	Term Expires 1978

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Arthur Stern	Term Expires 1979
Ronald G. Hook	Term Expires 1977
Neil Flaherty	Term Expires 1978

FIRE CHIEF

John J. Trocchi	Appointed by Fire Engineers
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BUDGET COMMITTEE

Richard H. Campbell, Chm.	Term Expires 1979
Arthur Harris	Term Expires 1977
James L. Leggett, Jr.	Term Expires 1977
Mildred T. Morgan	Term Expires 1977
William L. Fleming	Term Expires 1978
Kent D. Locke, Jr.	Term Expires 1978
Philip LaBonte	Term Expires 1979
Doris MacHaffie	Term Expires 1977
Edward Davis	Term Expires 1978

William J. Morrison, Selectman
Leo Sanfacon, School Board
Arthur L. Drouin, Gilford Sewer District
Walter Nass, Gilford Village Water District

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN

Health Officer	O. Joseph April
Supt. of Public Works	O. Joseph April
Highway Agent	Robert B. Bradley
Chief of Police	Bruce G. Cheney
Town Appraiser	Gene Littlefield
Chief Administrator	Stephen A. McCabe
Civil Defense Director	William Southworth

INSPECTORS OF ELECTION

Two Year Terms

Donna LaCasse	Term Expires 1978
Bernice Chapman	Term Expires 1978
Linda Allard	Term Expires 1978
Priscilla Clark	Term Expires 1978

PLANNING BOARD

Five Year Terms

Willard G. Martin, Chm.	Term Expires 1980
Thomas Poulin, Vice Chm.	Term Expires 1977
Don Morin	Term Expires 1977
Paul Weingart	Term Expires 1978
Jacqueline B. Illston	Term Expires 1979
Parkman Howe	Term Expires 1980
Clifford W. Birch, Selectman	

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Five Year Terms

Wayne E. Snow, Chm.	Term Expires 1979
Merrill Fay	Term Expires 1981
Bruce Papps	Term Expires 1977
Roger Bruns	Term Expires 1978
Richard Campbell	Term Expires 1980

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Three Year Terms

T. Gary Allen, Chm.	Term Expires 1979
Bruce Marriott	Term Expires 1977
Marcelia Muehlke	Term Expires 1977
June Symington	Term Expires 1977
Francis E. Merrill	Term Expires 1978
Margaret M. Birch	Term Expires 1978
Paul Weingart, Planning Board	

RECREATION COMMISSION

Three Year Terms

Sandra McGonagle, Chm.	Term Expires 1977
Judith Cookman	Term Expires 1977
Arthur Tilton	Term Expires 1977
John Goodhue, Jr.	Term Expires 1978
Robert E. Hutchinson	Term Expires 1979

GILFORD VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Three Year Terms

Linda Stern	Term Expires 1977
Dr. Willis Hoyt	Term Expires 1979
Peter Sawyer	Term Expires 1977
Douglas Leitch, Chm.	Term Expires 1979
Margaret Slater	Term Expires 1980
Marie White	Term Expires 1978

SEWER DISTRICT OFFICERS ELECTED AT
SEWER DISTRICT MEETINGS

GILFORD SEWER DISTRICT

Moderator	Samuel L. Sargent
Clerk and Treasurer	Madeline E. Drouin
Commissioners	Arthur L. Drouin, Chm. Helen M. Sargent Anthony Wysocki

GILFORD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

Moderator	James Nevers
Clerk	Verna Carrigan
Treasurer	Dorothy Torp
Commissioners	Walter Nass Karl Phelps Donald LaFlam

Activity Reports
of
Officers, Officials
Boards, Committees
and
Commissions



History of Gilford — The Gilford Selectmen are pictured purchasing a copy of the hard cover book "History of Gilford" that was published in the Bicentennial Year. The book is a reprint of the only known early history of the Town. Copies are available at the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall. Left to right: Selectmen Gregory M. Dickinson, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lorraine T. Royce, Selectman Chairman William J. Morrison and Selectman Clifford W. Birch.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In the Bicentennial Year 1977, Gilford's population grew to 5,165 residents, an increase of 340 or 7.0% over 1975. Since 1971, Gilford's population has increased 34.4%, or by 1,321 residents, and over the past ten years, since 1966, our Town's population has grown 86.6% from 2,395 residents. Although large scale development has not been as active in the past two years as previously, the resident population continues to grow because more and more seasonal, second homes are being converted to permanent year-round residences.

Just before Town Meeting last year, when the budget was already committed, the Town acquired access to the **Wilson farmhouse** on Belknap Mountain Road. The Wilson house and property, across from the Gilford Middle High School, were acquired in 1970, with the understanding that Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Wilson would have lifetime residency at the homestead. The portion of the land on the westerly side of Belknap Mountain Road was used for the Gilford Middle High School. When Mrs. Wilson passed away early in 1976, the farmhouse and land on the easterly side of the Mountain Road became usable Town property. The Selectmen found themselves with no specifically appropriated funds for this new Town building but with many suggestions as to how it might immediately and eventually be used. On July 1st, the Selectmen conducted a Public Hearing at which there was favorable comment to temporarily utilize the Wilson farmhouse for needed additional office space, with the understanding that its rural farmhouse character would be maintained while considerations as to the long-run use are developed. The Selectmen tempo-

rarily utilized the property by setting up headquarters for the State Department of Revenue Administration appraisers who are conducting Gilford's complete revaluation of taxable property. The Town would have had to find, and fund, quarters for the appraisers somewhere, and establishing them at the Wilson farmhouse seemed to all to be the most sensible and economical course of action. After the State appraisers were set up, the Town Appraisal Department, that is working closely with the State appraisers, was moved to the homestead. This allowed for some temporary expansion within the cramped old Town Hall.

Federal Revenue Sharing was renewed in 1975. The Selectmen took part in supporting its renewal through contacts with our Federal legislators. The Board feels that the present Federal Revenue Sharing Program is not the panacea some think it is but agree that; as long as it is the only way to recapture some tax dollars we send to Washington, it required our support and endorsement.

The **National Flood Insurance Program** became officially effective in Gilford in March. This means that in low lying flood susceptible areas (near the lake, brooks and rivers) building must be attuned to flood precautions. The program also means that residents of flood prone areas may acquire federally subsidized low cost flood insurance.

Early in the summer of 1976, the **complete revaluation of all taxable property** in Gilford began. This will be the first complete revaluation, by an outside source, since 1962, and Selectmen are confident that its end result will be a renewed equitability in the assessment of Gilford properties and resulting fair sharing of the property tax burden. The revaluation began in the summer of 1976 with State workers

measuring all buildings and properties and entering those measurements onto new property appraisal work cards that in October became tools the appraisers are using when inspecting Gilford properties. The revaluation will continue into 1977, will be completed in 1977, and will be reflected in your 1977, tax bills.

When the State appraisers have finished placing values on all properties, they will announce and conduct several days of public hearings. At these hearings you will have the opportunity to meet with the appraisers, find out how the value on your property was arrived at, lodge any complaints or differences of opinions you have and seek an adjustment of your assessment if you feel one is in order. The Board encourages all citizens to continue their cooperative support of this important project.

In April of this past year, disturbing circumstances emerged at the Forest Park **Ambulance Service**. The Selectmen, in order to preserve and maintain adequate emergency ambulance service, impounded one of the Forest Park ambulances for use by our Fire Department until their problems were worked out. After two months of operating the ambulance out of our Fire Department, the District Court ordered the Town to return the ambulance to Forest Park. At that time, fortunately, the major problems that existed were beginning to be straightened out. There were continuing problems regarding ambulance service during the year but we are happy to report that a cooperative and constructive attitude on the part of all parties emerged later in the year and the service level is regaining the status of quality we expect from it.

The **Smith Cove** controversy moved in 1975, from centering about the local scene, to State and Federal agencies. The problems there, and on Lake Winnepesaukee in general, are of far greater than local

magnitude and this was finally realized. Several State departments are presently addressing Smith Cove and the Big Lake as a whole and solutions to complex concerns regarding boat density, the watermill foil problem, and other water pollution sources are being sought. To continue our own fight against pollution of the Big Lake, the Selectmen adopted their own **Lakes Waters Anti-Pollution Affirmative Action Program** last spring. The program includes procedures that the Town government sets upon itself to see that Town facilities are regularly inspected and certified to be free from pollution discharge. The program also generates a yearly public information effort geared to reminding users of the lake of various simple measures to fight pollution.

The eventual **sewerage** of certain portions of the Town again occupied many Selectmen's hours in the past year. Sewerage in Gilford will be realized in two phases. First, in the installation of "the big pipe" which, as part of the Winnepesaukee River Basin Project, will in effect, run plumbing around much of Lake Winnepesaukee; secondly, the "little pipes" (the street sewers) will tie into the Basin Project "big pipe" and transfer waste to a sewerage treatment facility in Franklin where it will be treated and eventually disposed of as non-polluting waste, into the Merrimack River north of Concord. It appears now that the construction of the "big pipe" interceptor will not be realized until 1978, and so Gilford's street sewerage will not begin to be constructed until at least that time. The Selectmen and Public Works Department will, however, continue to be busy with this project next year. A committee will be working to determine the best method of funding sewerage operations when citizens are using the facilities.

At last year's Annual Meeting, the Town adopted a sign ordinance that, in part, outlawed off-premise

(billboard) signs in Gilford. In recognition of the fact that this would cut into the advertising resources of business in our community, the new ordinance included the provision that the Town would provide cooperative/directional signing in lieu of billboards. The Selectmen worked with officials of the Gilford Association of Businesses on this project throughout the year. The product of much work on the part of several GAB Sign Committee representatives and members of the Selectmen's staff, will be the installation, in the future, of at least four (4) informational /directional plaza signs at key entrance arteries to the Town. These plazas will provide tourists and potential customers an opportunity, when entering the Town, to pull off the road and review the informational/directional plazas that will have on them maps of the Town, listings of businesses and community services and directions to them.

Solid waste disposal alternatives have been a critical concern in our Town for several years and kept us busy again in 1976. We are extremely pleased that what we consider a significant resolution, extremely favorable to Gilford, was realized in 1976. On November 30th, the Selectmen entered into three agreements in this regard. One agreement between the Town and City of Laconia provides for shipping solid waste out of both communities through Laconia's collection facility, for at least a five year period. The second agreement also between Laconia and Gilford, provides for the acquisition of land for a joint Gilford-Laconia sanitary landfill at a later date. The third agreement between the City of Laconia, Town of Gilford and Banfield Associates, Inc., provides for trucking waste from the Laconia collection site to a disposal facility in Danbury. The Selectmen are hopeful that science and technology will eventually come up with an economically palatable and environmentally

safe method of disposing of solid waste, in the meantime, we are pleased to have provided for disposal of Gilford's solid waste in the short-run and to have coupled that arrangement with insured provisions for the long-run.

At the **Annual Summer Town Meeting** in July, our summer residents expressed concern for increasing abuse of Glendale Town docks privileges and repeated their requests for a fire boat for the protection of island residents and property. In response to these concerns, the Selectmen established a new ordinance governing use of the Glendale docks that, it is hoped, will significantly reduce, if not eliminate, abuse of the facility by a few at the expense of the many. At your Town Meeting on March 9th, you will be asked to vote on providing and funding a fire boat for protection of island and lakefront persons and property.

In the fall of 1976, the Selectmen actively supported the location of the **Mt. Attitash Slide Corporation** in Gilford. The company eventually acquired the Mt. Rowe Ski Area and will run a ski resort there in the winter and the slide operation in the summer. The Selectmen and other Town government officials supported the operation with the belief that this recreation oriented business is ideally suited to the plans and atmosphere of our community.

The Selectmen again in 1976 (as they have for many, many years) spent many, many, difficult hours dealing with the **Gunstock Acres** development, particularly on the problems related to **Gunstock Acres roads**. In late summer, after months of long and difficult negotiations, the Board was finally successful in collecting \$201,300 from the Travelers Indemnity Company on a defaulted road performance bond. The Board is presently selling off lots at Gunstock Acres, which were put up as additional road performance assurance. With the Travelers money and the mort-

gage foreclosure sale money, we are hopeful that we will be able to cover the costs of completing construction, and bringing up to Town standards, the roads in Gunstock Acres. We anticipate that the Gunstock Acres roads will become Town public roads during 1977. We believe that because of the bonds and our ability to collect on them, that Gilford was not as badly burned as were 39 other communities in the State that had large scale, second home developments collapse. The impact of the development will, of course, be felt for years to come. When we accept the Gunstock Acres roads we will increase our publicly cared for roads by 28% we will have more public roads to maintain, rebuild, plow, etc., than does the City of Laconia. The question of plowing Gunstock Acres private roads has been an agonizing concern for the past few winters. In 1976, the Selectmen did plow the paved roads in the Acres in consideration of their "in-process acceptance" as public ways and in consideration of the residents there. A majority of the Board of Selectmen steadfastly refused to plow the unpaved roads. The majority felt that plowing them would result in damage to very expensive Town equipment and possible injury to Town employees. The Board's position was upheld in a court case in December, however, following that decision and in a spirit of doing whatever possible to assist the townspeople there, the Board did come to an agreement whereby the Town has winged-back snow on unpaved Gunstock Acres roads to facilitate plowing of them by the Gunstock Acres Association. With the acceptance of the Gunstock Acres roads as public ways in 1977, the Selectmen are hopeful that a long, painful period in Gilford's history will come to an end, and that the townspeople living at Gunstock Acres will share with the Town as a whole, a newly rejuvenated sense of community.

We were extremely pleased that in 1976, we accomplished a goal of the past few years; to get **tax bills out early**. We succeeded in doing that this year and the positive effects of this successful effort were a need to borrow less in anticipation of taxes and the opportunity to earn more in interest revenue by having the tax money come in early. We intend to get the bills out early in future years so that we can continue to take full advantage of the good economy in doing so.

As we conclude our observations on the landmark Bicentennial Year of 1977, we would like to take particular note of two landmark events that happened within our own Town government; **Mr. Phil Bryant**, Town Road Agent, retired in 1977 after twenty years of service to the Town. Phil worked hard for many years that saw rapid growth in Gilford and applied true yankee ingenuity to his efforts on behalf of the Town. The Board of Selectmen invites all townspeople to join us in wishing Phil a very happy and fulfilled retirement. In 1976, **Town Clerk/Tax Collector Lorraine T. Royce** completed her 30th year in the service of the Town of Gilford. Mrs. Royce was the first Town employee to set up shop, when many years she found it necessary to move her operations from her home to a room with a pot bellied stove in the old Town Hall. In the ensuing years, Gilford grew tremendously, acquired many other employees, service departments and needs, and through it all, Mrs. Royce has given the townspeople efficient operations and an example setting high level of professional public service. Please join us in thanking and commending her for the past 30 years service and in extending her our best wishes for continued success in the future.

The Selectmen usually meet on Thursday evenings at the Wilson farmhouse. All citizens are encouraged

to visit our open meetings. If you are unable to attend a meeting, please call or stop in at the Town Hall and convey your message and/or feelings through our Chief Administrator Steve McCabe. If you wish to meet with the Selectmen and avoid a possible long wait, we suggest you contact our office at Town Hall and arrange for an appointment. We encourage all of our townspeople to become more actively involved in their government and encourage you to become interested in running for office or volunteering for an appointment to a volunteer board, committee or commission.

William J. Morrison, Chairman
Gregory M. Dickinson
Clifford W. Birch

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK - TAX COLLECTOR

Another busy year has come and gone and has produced some interesting statistics in this office, such as the following: the number of motor vehicle registrations exceeded 1975 by 1,553. The total number of permits issued was 5,858. This increase was partly due to the new "staggered registration" which required that all personal passenger vehicles be re-registered in the applicant's birth month, starting with August, 1976, and partly by new residents registering their vehicles in Gilford for the first time. There were also many transfers of registration throughout the year.

My office processed 1,413 applications for title — 364 more than in 1975.

347 voters were registered — an increase of 129.

Applications for beach tags and taxpayer stickers were mailed out with the inventories in March to all non-resident property owners and this office processed 312 applications between March 20th and May 6th as a result.

Being the center of information for records, tax matters, elections, motor vehicle registrations, etc. it was not surprising to find that we averaged 400 telephone calls per month and an additional 225 calls per month which we referred to other departments or commissions.

There were 8,954 tax payments processed in 1976 — an increase of 419 over last year. These payments covered real estate taxes, resident taxes, yield taxes, interest, costs and redemptions from various Tax Sales, and required precise accounting by type of tax and year of levy.

The end of the year showed that this office had received, processed, recorded and accounted for nearly three and one-half million dollars. (For more information on this subject please turn to the "Report of Town Clerk" and "Report of Tax Collector" found in the financial section of this town report.)

During the year I have attended a State Department of Motor Vehicle workshop on transfers of registration, an all-day workshop for Tax Collectors, a three-day convention for Town Clerks, a three-day convention-seminar for Tax Collectors — all in an effort to keep up-to-date on new laws, rules and regulations which affect our work and service to you. In addition I have attended various meetings of the Budget Committee, the Wage and Salary Compensation Committee, Town Building Committee, Recreation Commission, Selectmen's meetings, public meetings (in an official capacity,) the Governor's Economic Conference and served on the Bicentennial Commission. I also had the pleasure of speaking on "Town Records" at a genealogy seminar held in Laconia.

The New Hampshire Humane Society held two rabies clinics in Laconia and invited me to attend. I did attend both and licensed those dogs whose owners wished to do so. This was quite successful and resulted in 54 licenses being issued.

The League of Women Voters invited me to participate in a voter registration session held at the Gilford Middle High School. This was a very enjoyable experience as the eighteen year old students not only registered to vote at that time, but also took the opportunity to ask many questions concerning the election process.

The growth in the workload of the office became such that it was necessary to employ another full-

time person, and we welcomed back to the office Mrs. Debra E. Eastman who had been my assistant a few years ago, and was well qualified to fulfill the requirements of the position. We are still fortunate to have with us Mrs. Doris G. Marshall and Mrs. Susan J. Giguere, who are the ones who most often greet you at the counter, and do such a tremendous job with all the questions and details involved in that area. We all find the work diverse, exacting and nerve wracking, but at the same time, most gratifying and rewarding.

The new year will get off to a good start with the office being moved to the rear of Town Hall to give more room in which to operate and better access to the records. There is a possibility that proposed legislation will require Town Clerks to register boats and to issue decals and registrations on motor vehicles. If this becomes fact the additional space will be even more necessary and will be greatly appreciated.

Every effort will be made to make your visit to this office a friendly, courteous and helpful one. Any constructive suggestions on ways to increase the efficiency of this department will be welcomed and given consideration.

The office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine T. Royce
Town Clerk-Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board in the Bicentennial Year of 1976 had an active schedule which included 39 regular meetings as well as attendance at other public hearings and meetings. The Board approved 25 new subdivisions as well as 15 site plans.

New appointees this year included Mrs. Jacqueline Illston and Clifford Birch, Selectman; who filled the vacancies created by the resignations of Robert Lemire and Richard Ray, respectively. Attorney Willard G. Martin, Jr., served as Chairman of the Board this year.

The position of Administrative Assistant to the Planning Board changed this year when Mrs. Doris MacHaffie, Administrative Assistant for the past six years, resigned. The Board wishes to thank Mrs. MacHaffie for her many years of service. Mrs. Deborah Wareing, previously working with the Selectmen, has taken the position of Administrative Assistant.

The Board extends thanks to Town Engineer O. Joseph April for technical assistance throughout the year as well as his attendance at many Planning Board meetings.

During 1976 the Planning Board has received input and suggestions from the Soil Conservation Commission on the Gunstock Brook Watershed, a study the S.C.S. has been doing on probable flood areas. The Board has directed the S.C.S. to do further research in other alternates which the Board outlined to them. When this research is completed an informational public meeting will be scheduled to present the Town with these proposals. The Planning Board also has worked with the Conservation Commission on a possible "critical elevations" ordinance. The Board is

presently gathering information and guidelines on this and will be working further in 1977 on this.

During the winter months the Board worked on proposed zoning changes, which will be on the ballot for your consideration and vote.

The fees for subdivisions and site plans were adjusted in 1976 to bring them in line with other towns as well as with current costs. Site plan review fees have increased from \$5.00 to \$10.00. The applicant is now also charged \$1.00 per abutter for public hearing notification to cover certified mailing costs.

A municipal law lecture series sponsored by the Municipal Training Consortium was attended by the Administrative Assistant this fall. The series of five lectures outlined many aspects of law effecting municipalities and planning which was very informative and served as a good check on how day to day planning matters should be handled.

The Planning Board office is open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Items and plans to be scheduled on the Board's agenda Monday night are requested to be in the Planning Board office by the previous Thursday noon. The Planning Board meetings are held Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Community Church Parish Hall. Your presence at these meetings is always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Willard G. Martin, Jr., Chairman
Don Morin, Secretary
Thomas Poulin, Vice Chairman
Parkman Howe

Clifford Birch, Selectman
Paul Weingart
Jacqueline Illston
Deborah Wareing, Admin. Assist.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

This year found 35 families (86 persons) directly served by financial support, counseling, or information and referral services. Another 20 families were indirectly served through our support of the excellent Lakes Region Day Care Program (524-1235).

More than a dozen families received State Welfare Aid to Families with Dependent Children and around 200 persons benefited from the Department of Agriculture Food Stamp Program (524-4485). Our County Welfare District has been most cooperative and helpful this past year.

More persons have begun to receive Federal Supplemental Security Income benefits for blindness, old age or disability (224-1938).

The Julia Ladd Fund "for the worthy poor," administered by the Trustees of the Trust Funds, has assisted a number of families. The Laura Buttrick Fund, administered by the Lakes Region General Hospital, has been well spent.

The Welfare Guide for New Hampshire Local Officials, published in May, 1976 by the New Hampshire Municipal Association, is our basic manual. This, used with understanding and discretion, seems to well express the friendly concern that has epitomized Gilford's good neighbors' "helping neighbors to help themselves."

There are very few licensed foster families in our town. Could not one or two more of us share our families and blessings with a less fortunate young-

ster? If you have any questions or become aware of any neighbors who might need help, please get in touch with me through the Town Office (524-3287) or at home (293-4990).

Thank you.

William M. Connelly
Overseer of Public Welfare

REPORT OF RECREATION COMMISSION

With the increased amounts of leisure time available to individuals, the responsibility of the Recreation Commission to provide recreational activities to meet the ever-changing needs in our community is most important.

In the summer season, the Gilford Beach becomes a way of life for many residents and guests in our community. With the steady flow of automobiles through the beach gate, the Commission has had prepared a comprehensive recreational plan for the beach property at Varney Point. The first phase of renovation will include a parking area and drop-off loop that will provide a more organized flow of traffic through the beach area.

At the Village Field, school and community continue to make full utilization of the total field. Maintenance of the field is a joint effort between the school maintenance department and the Recreation Commission. A proposal for a park program during the summer of 1977, if accepted by the Town, will provide a program of recreation for young people aged six to fifteen. It is hoped that in the near future, the Town will appropriate monies for two more tennis courts at the field.

The Stonewall Park Project is in full swing and in the spring phase one will be completed with a Little League diamond and a parking area.

Lincoln Park, located on Belknap Point Road continues to be a quiet, scenic picnic area enjoyed by residents and guests alike. In cooperation with the

trustees of the park, a program of maintenance is carried out by the Recreation Commission.

The Recreation Commission thanks you for the opportunity to serve our Town this past year, and we sincerely hope we can continue to make Gilford a happy, fun place to live.

Sandra T. McGonagle, Chairman
Arthur Tilton
John Goodhue
Robert Hutchinson
Judy Cookman

GILFORD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

During 1976 your Zoning Board of Adjustment heard twenty-one (21) appeals. Twenty (20) cases were requests for a variance and one (1) was a request for an exception. The following represents the total actions:

Variances = 20

Granted = 10 Denied = 8 Dismissed = 2

Rehearings Requested = 4

Granted = 2 Denied = 2

Rehearings = 2

Granted = 1 Denied = 1

Five (5) of the variances cases heard were as a result of the new sign ordinance with four (4) being denied and one (1) being granted. The other variances requests involved subdivision of lots, porches too close to property lines, frontage and a recreational sign. There was one case of a request for an "exception: involving "very poorly drained soil."

When discussing Variances etc. some people will say "Don't you think this will be good for the town." Of course this reasoning has no bearing on the case because you, the voter, have already said what is good for the Town in passing the ordinance and setting the boundaries. With the ordinance set up it is entirely up to the **applicant to prove** that his or her requests **meets the five points** required under the laws of New Hampshire. They are:

1. The proposed use would not diminish surrounding property values.
2. Granting the variance would be in the public interest.
3. The proposed use would not be contrary to the spirit of the ordinance.
4. By granting the variance substantial justice will be done.
5. Denial of the variance would result in an unnecessary hardship to the owner. Hardship under zoning law has nothing to do with the physical or economic conditions of the owner.

Without these points being proved no Zoning Board has any right to grant a variance.

We in Gilford are most fortunate in having residents who had the foresight to adopt rules and regulations governing the orderly development of our town. Your town officials by appointing us to the Zoning Board have granted us a trust and have given us the responsibility of interpreting the Zoning Ordinance as you intended. Please be assured that this Board has fulfilled that trust and have acted in the best interests of the Town of Gilford. It has been our pleasure to have served you.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Snow
Richard Campbell
Roger Bruns
Bruce Papps
Ramon Quigley
Archie Simoneau
Merrill Fay

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GILFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The year 1976 saw Conservation Commission activity in several areas.

Dredge and fill applications were reviewed as filed, and recommendations made for influencing higher environmental standards. Appeals were made to the Special Board on two occasions. The Commission has been especially concerned with the steady growth of the number of boat slips and moorings in the Saunders Bay and Smith Cove areas and the possible pollution of lake waters from the density of motor boat traffic along Gilford's shore front. The Commission awaits with interest the publication of a study of the entire lake undertaken by the Lakes Region Planning Commission, and will make its own recommendations for protection of the lake front when this study is released.

A day-long trip in November via the Wolfeboro Railroad from Laconia to Lincoln, called "The Clean Water Special," provided several members with a graphic demonstration of what is being done by towns and industries in the Winnepesaukee, Squam and Pemigewasset River valleys to improve water quality and waste disposal.

The Commission again provided **scholarships** for two teachers from the Elementary School to attend the week-long **Conservation Camp** at Cardigan Mountain in June. The two teachers, Diane Kamercia and Ed Kline, reported to the Commission that their experiences at the camp had given them new and creative approaches to their teaching which they have implemented by means of field trips for their classes, observing such things as microscopic animals, insects,

varieties of trees and plants. Each student was given a 3' by 3' plot on town land behind the Elementary School to observe in different seasons and to keep a notebook on. A field trip to Mt. Osceola was another successful project, and a sugaring session is planned for spring. The Commission will provide two scholarships for teachers again this year and two for high school students, the former at Cardigan Mountain and the latter at Bear Brook.

The Commission, with the help of students from both the Elementary and the High School, planted a **red oak** and a **red maple** (being salt-resistant trees) across from the Elementary School **in recognition of Arbor Day.**

The Commission sponsored a petition to make **Cotton Hill Road** a "**Scenic Road,**" and with the efforts of the residents this was so voted at Town Meeting.

The Commission was asked to rule on several cases of **Current Use Assessment** which involved study of the State's General Criteria and visits to the properties in question.

Members attended a number of **meetings and lectures** in the general environmental field: the Annual Meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions in Concord, the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests in Waterville Valley, the meeting of the League of Women Voters on Energy Conservation in Concord, the "Clean Water Special" up the Pemigewasset Valley. Some attended lectures in Meredith sponsored by the Municipal Law Council on "Planning and the Planning Board," "The Land Use Plan and Zoning," "Subdivision and Site Plan Review."

Throughout the year the Commission has been working on a **plan for Open Space** and one for estab-

lishing a **Critical Elevation** — an elevation above which special management considerations would be practised. In these continuing efforts the Commission relies heavily on the work and expertise of the Planning Board and shares its plans and recommendations with that Board.

The Commission was gratified that, after years of effort by several other organizations as well as the Commission itself, the Blake Loring property of over 800 acres of wilderness on the eastern side of Belknap Mountain adjoining the present State Reservation finally became State property. Through a holding grant from the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests and an ensuing act of the Legislature the State has purchased this land, which now becomes Belknap Mountain State Forest, to be preserved as wilderness, with hiking and cross-country skiing trails through it for public enjoyment.

In September Bruce Marriott turned the Chairmanship of the Commission over to Gary Allen.

Conservation Commission meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Engineer's office, and are open to the public.

T. Gary Allen, Chairman
Bruce Marriott
Marcelia Muehlke
June Symington
Francis E. Merrill
Margaret M. Birch
Paul Weingart, Planning Board



Official Bicentennial Recognition — On August 23, 1975, Gilford was officially designated Bicentennial Community No. 76 in the State of New Hampshire. Pictured at the bicentennial flag presentation ceremony are: Left to right: Marine and Navy Color Guards Ronald Baltzor and Timothy Liberty; Gilbert T. Center, Executive Director of the New Hampshire Bicentennial Commission; Sheila Weeks, Chairman of the Gilford Bicentennial Commission; Representative Norman Marsh; Selectmen Richard Ray, Robert Weeks and William Mor-

REPORT OF THE GILFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

During the past year the Historic District Commission worked primarily on considering requests for alterations, repairs, and improvements to structures within the District. We approved the design of the new bandstand at the Village Field which made a valuable addition to the appearance of that part of the Historic District during the Bicentennial celebrations for Old Home Day. We also considered plans to renovate the Town Library and found the proposal to represent a great architectural improvement over the non-descript edifice that presently is the Library. The style of windows, roof line, and narrow clapboards of the proposed addition will tie the Library in nicely with the surrounding buildings in the Village center.

In the months preceeding Old Home Day the Historic District Commission had printed note cards of six sketches of historic Gilford structures, both residences and public buildings, within the Historic District. These note cards were assembled and packaged in assortments of ten cards and envelopes for one dollar to be sold on Old Home Day. While the sales of these note cards did not meet expectations on Old Home Day, the note cards are still available for sale at several Gilford businesses and from Commission members.

During the past fall one Commission member completed a six-week course in the Merciful Restoration of Old Houses at the University of New Hampshire's School of Continuing Studies in Concord. This additional information will be valuable in assisting the Commission to evaluate future changes and restorations that might be proposed for the Gilford Village

Historic District. We will be working during the coming year to propose some changes to the Historic District ordinance to make it easier for persons carrying out repair and/or maintenance work on their houses which would not affect the structure's architectural or aesthetic appearance. The Historic District Commission continues to meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at the Planning Board Room in Weeks Hall, Potter Hill Rd. We welcome the public's attendance at all our meetings.

Gilford Historic District Commission
Douglas C. Leitch, Chairman
Linda Stern
Dr. Willis Hoyt
Peter Sawyer
Margaret Slater
Marie White

REPORT OF GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The library has enjoyed a memorable Bicentennial Year. The Old Home Day Celebration drew many people to the village and to our annual book sale. The staff and trustees, dressed in appropriate costumes, held an open house at the same time and welcomed patrons and guests. Many first time visitors have returned and become regular borrowers, increasing the card carriers to 1505 from 1342, in 1975.

The growth of Gilford is reflected in the library by increased circulation, increased patron borrowing from the State Library and increased staff hours. Library requests cover a wide range of interests from ordering books for the student on special topics to talks by the librarian at service club meetings.

A recent visit by Fire Chief John Trocchi found the library to be in violation of the Life Safety Code by having the front door of a public building opening inward. The cost to install a new door would be in excess of \$1,000. At a recent Board of Trustees meeting, the status of the library was evaluated. The meeting concluded that there is definitely a lack of space and a need for expansion. This is self-evident when visiting the building, as one steps over piles of books and notices that the head librarian has no office. Her "work space" has been taken over for shelving books. We deplore the lack of daily newspapers and the space to sit and read them.

In evaluating the space needs, the remodeling of the door and the provision for future growth, we decided to seek a professional opinion. Robert Lemire, A.I.A., a Gilford architect, was engaged to

propose plans for the library's expansion. Mr. Lemire has designed and remodeled several libraries and is attuned to our special needs. He visited the building and prepared plans that incorporate the existing structure and add shelf-space, office space and with thought to the future, left space to be finished as needed. These plans are on display at the library and all are invited to view and comment on them.

We are grateful to Lee Pitou our retiring board member for a job well done.

Molly Connelly, Chairman
Horatio B. Tower, Jr., Treasurer
Eulalie Pitou

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE
GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1975

Laconia Peoples National

Bank & Trust Co.

\$ 1,499.43

Receipts

From Town Treasurer \$22,243.00

From Librarian

Copy Machine 167.20

\$22,410.20

Total Receipts

\$23,909.63

Payments

Salaries \$14,989.56

Books & Magazines 4,264.26

Library Administration

Supplies

Machine Maintenance

Publicity

960.54

Continuing Education

Meetings

Dues

Mileage

86.87

Buildings & Grounds		
Custodian Supplies		
Building Maintenance		
Utilities		
Snow Removal	1,152.69	
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Capital Outlay		
Furnishings	217.50	
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Total Payments		\$21,671.42
Balance on Hand Laconia Peoples		
Nat'l Bank & Trust Co.		
Dec. 31, 1976		\$ 2,238.21
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		\$23,909.63

Respectfully submitted,

Horatio B. Tower, Jr.
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Gilford Public Library now houses better than 12,000 volumes plus more than 40 periodicals. When the library was first established as a free public library in 1897, there were approximately 200 books and 3 magazines. The library was in the front parlor of the Deacon Heamon Hunter house, now the home of Mrs. Louise Elsner, in the village. From there, the collection was moved to the Town Hall. By the early 1920's it was evident that the library's almost 4000 volumes needed a house of its own. In 1925, the present building was built on land given for that purpose.

Since 1970, the library staff has seen an increased use of the library. 1976 was a very busy year in the Reference Department. This section includes all non-circulating material, including back issue periodicals.

This past year has also seen an increase in the number of exhibits on display in the library. Mrs. Mabel Walter's exquisite hand-crocheted collection of Bicentennial costumed dolls and flags were graciously loaned several times. Photographs of Gilford in the early 1900's are on loan from the Gilford Historic Commission. Also, the official pictures of the Bicentennial-Old Home Day celebration. Mr. Ralph Crocker built and presented a shadow box model of the Steamer Mount Washington. This is on permanent display in the library.

The prize winning art work of Gilford Middle High students have been shown. These works were in the Spring and Fall art contests sponsored by the Gilford Women's Club.

The red, white and blue flowers surrounding the base of the newly painted flag pole were planted and tended by Mrs. Kathryn Woolston and Mrs. Helen Weeks with an assist by Thomas Foley. Other flowers, in season were donated by Mrs. Hazel Bartholomew, Mrs. Dorothy Emilio and Mrs. Lee Pitou.

Mrs. Dorothy Emilio, one of our staff members has moved to Newburyport, Massachusetts. She will be missed. Mrs. Elizabeth Kirchberg has been a welcome replacement.

The annual summer bookmobile to Lake Shore Park residents was, again, a huge success, circulating 729 books. The Lake Shore Park Association presented the library with a check at the end of the summer.

In 1976, four more hours were added. This brings the number of hours that the library is opened up to 38. The library staff is here to serve the public. Every one is welcome. The new library hours are as follows:

Monday: 10 A.M.-6 P.M.

Tuesday: 10 A.M.-8 P.M.

Wednesday: 10 A.M.-8 P.M.

Thursday: 2-6 P.M.

Friday: 2-6 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth S. Pratt, Librarian

Circulation Records

Number of books loaned from library:

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Non-fiction	4806	1195	6001
Fiction	11,310	4138	15,448

Magazines	2670	2670
Records	77	77
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			24,196

No. of Bookmobile books borrowed from State Library (3 trips)			3099
Books borrowed by mail from State Library			189
Books borrowed on Interlibrary Loan from Laconia Library			169
Films borrowed from State Library			4

Registration Records

	1975	1976
Adult Borrowers	1342	1519
Juvenile Borrowers	918	995

Cash Records

Balance brought forward January 1, 1976	\$	2.48
Cash received from fines		384.92
Cash received from Lost & damaged books & book sales		42.24
Cash received from Non-resident fees		2.00
Cash received from Gifts		37.08
Cash received from New Cards		.10
Cash received from Church Book Fair		113.32
Cash received from Remick Fund		500.00
Cash received from Copier		167.20
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Total cash received		\$1249.29
Cash from copier turned over to H. B. Tower, Jr., Treas.		-167.20
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		\$1082.09

Deposited in checking account Laconia Peoples National	-1080.56
Cash on hand, December 31, 1976	\$ 1.53

Accession Records

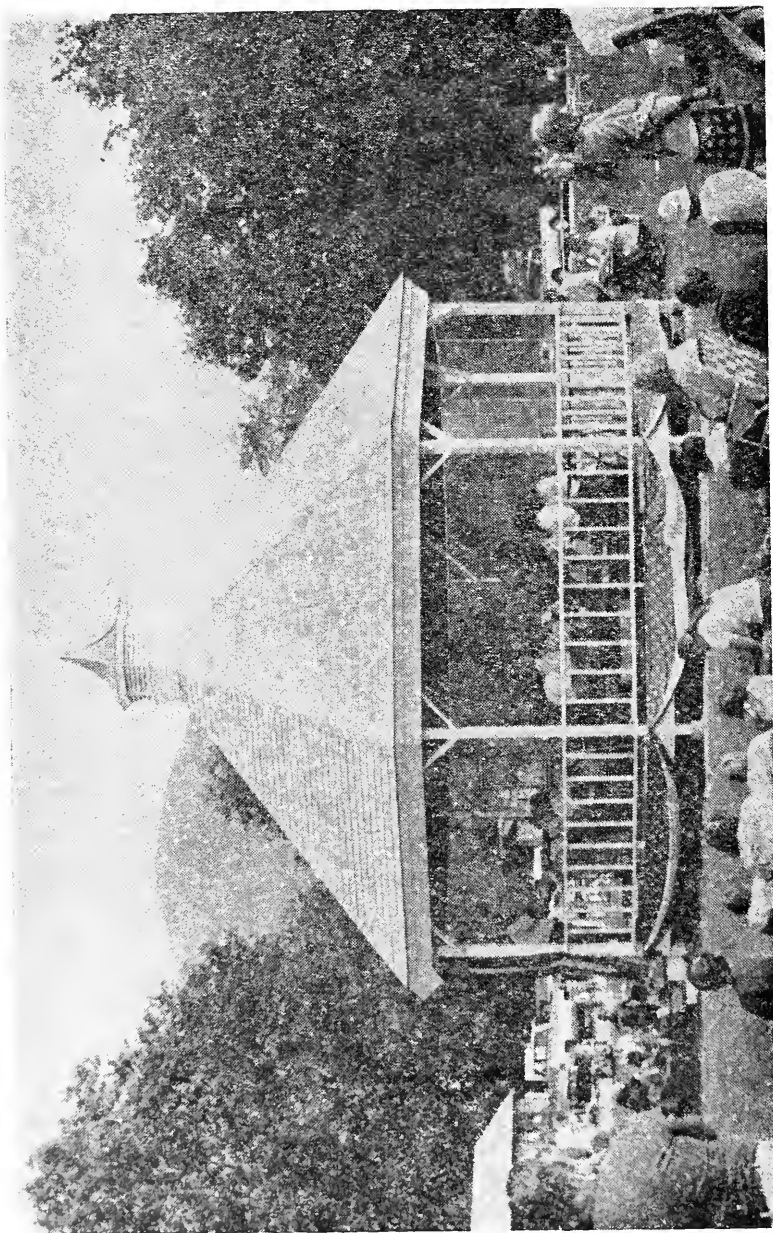
	Total
Number of volumes (Est. Jan. 1, 1976)	11,454
Volumes purchased by town	447
Volumes purchased with Remick Fund	27
Volumes donated by friends	192
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Anonymous	122
James Armstrong	1
Roberta Brooks	12
Mrs. Nina Christenson	4
Mrs. William Connelly	1
Mrs. H. Leslie Curtis	1
Gilford Womens Club	1
Mrs. Melba Hodgkins	2
Mrs. Billie Hoffman	4
Mrs. Helen Howe	1
Mrs. Betty Jett	5
Mrs. Cynthia Kling	3
Susan Kuzma	6
Laconia Post Office	2
Mrs. Helen Park	1
Wallace Rugg	1
Plummer Smith	13
Mrs. Vera Stanhope	2
Mr. & Mrs. Reede Thomas	2
Mrs. Helen Weeks	2

Mr. & Mrs. H. Leslie Curtis in memory of Mrs. Doris Hostetter	1	
Karl E. Miller in memory of Geneva Miller	1	
Mrs. Madeline Whitney in memory of Mrs. Doris Hostetter	1	
Mr. & Mrs. Floyd Wiley in memory of Walter D. McCarthy	2	
James and Rita Armstrong, Robert and Hazel Fuller, Louise Elsner and Elaine Leh in memory of Frances Talbot	1	
Total volumes purchased & donated		666
Volumes discarded	18	12,120
Volumes reported lost or damaged	4	-23
Number of volumes December 31, 1976 (Estimated)		12,097

Non-Lapsing Checking Account

Cash on hand January 1, 1976	\$ 915.75
Deposits for 1976	1080.56
Interest payments	52.78
	<hr/> 2049.09
Book purchases	-352.73
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Total amount in Checking Account December 31, 1976	\$1696.36



Bicentennial Bandstand — At the request of many citizens, and as Gilford's bicentennial gift to future generations, the Weeks Bandstand was built on the Village Field in 1976. A complete sound system was provided by the Interact Club at Gilford Middle High School and the first band concert was enjoyed on Sunday, August 29, 1976.

REPORT OF THE GILFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

1976 was another busy year for the Police Department as can be seen from the statistics. As in the past, we worked hard to provide you with the best in police service possible. Our success, we believe, is shown in the decrease in stolen property coupled with an increase in recovered property.

Preventive patrol increased again in 1976 in line with our belief that the more your police department is seen the more deterrent effect it has. We changed the color and markings of our cruisers this year to make them stand out even more than in the past. The choice of black and white was made because we felt that everyone is familiar with that color combination, which in a resort area means people who are not familiar with the area etc., will be able to readily identify the police to obtain assistance.

As promised in last years report, the Detective-Investigator did a bigger and better job in 1976. By his efforts the patrolmen were freed to do the job they are intended to do. As a result, the patrol function was able to do more than ever before. The only ingredient left is citizen participation in the law enforcement effort. Please help us in 1977 to provide you with the best by calling upon us at any time.

The following list of comparative activities is submitted for your study :

Activity Summary — December 31, 1976

Activity	Total This Year To Date	Total Last Year To Date
Cruiser miles driven	134,947	129,237
Calls for police service	3,871	4,035
(Escorts)	625	323
Criminal offenses known	712	668
Arrests/Summonses — Criminal	281	238
Property reported stolen	\$71,293.39	\$86,071.61
Stolen/Lost property recovered	\$44,440.24	\$31,433.47
Motor Vehicle offenses known	520	414
Arrests/Summonses — Motor Vehicle	467	361
Accidents — Fatal	0	3
Accidents — Property Damage	163	171
Accidents — Personal Injury	38	46
Court Appearances	922	746
(Man-hours spent in court)	389 ½	315 ½
Fines Paid	\$29,135.00	\$31,844.00
Days Sentenced	13 yrs, 145 dys	39 yrs, 90 dys
Radar checks made	10,017	12,996
Warnings issued	1,172	1,047
Defective Tags issued	312	256
Parking Tags issued	457	413
Checkups made	935	902
Motorist's assist rendered	252	186
House Checks made	1,821	2,019
Doors secured	993	727
Street lights out	22	8
Lights reported ON/OFF	221	153

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce G. Cheney
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE GILFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

I. SUMMARY

For the calendar year ending December 31, 1976, there was a dramatic increase in responses by the Gilford Fire Department. The 1976 total, 302 alarms, was more than 100 greater than the 1975 total of 194. The most obvious increase in calls was in the medical aid/rescue category. During the year, the Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's) in the Department responded to 94 such calls within our town. It has been gratifying to realize that so many citizens within Gilford have come to trust our firefighter/EMT expertise in the emergency medical field.

The 4 major and 35 minor house fires within our town have proved the necessity for our well-trained and professional firefighters. Two of the major fires have proved to be crimes of arson. The remaining two and many of the additional minor fires in the community point to the need for a more conscious effort on the part of the Fire Department and Townspeople in areas of fire safety. Thirty-nine of Gilford's citizens this past year learned that the saying, "It couldn't happen to me," does not apply. The Fire Department hopes that in the coming year, the homeowners of Gilford will participate more in our home inspection program. By letting us suggest ways of making your home firesafe, we may eliminate you and your home from next year's statistics.

The loss of \$126,280 in taxable property due to fires in 1976 was due in part to the lack of water sources in the community and demonstrates the need for reliable fire trucks capable of quickly carrying large quantities of water to the scene of a fire emergency.

On the more positive side, the Gilford Fire Department responded to fires in houses with an appraised value of \$1,256,250. The difference between this figure and the loss figure above indicates that \$1,129,970 worth of taxable property was saved during the 1976 year.

II. MANPOWER

As of December 31, 1976, the number of permanent employees remained unchanged at five. Twenty-two, on-call firefighters also respond day and night to drive and operate fire apparatus protecting the community. The problem of on-call response during working hours continues to be a difficult situation, and increased emergency calls in the future may necessitate the addition of more permanent employees.

III. FIRE AND EMERGENCY STATISTICS

GILFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONSES — 1976

Structure Fires	39
Motor Vehicle Fires	12
Grass or Brush Fires	9
Mutual Aid	41
False Alarms	19
Misc. Fires	17
Misc. Emergencies	2
Rescues / Medical Emerg.	94
Public Service Calls	69

IV. MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT

The Gilford Fire Department protects a 5,219-year-round population and 15,000 seasonal residents

covering 50.9 square miles with the following equipment:

Engine #1: A 1959, 750-gallon-per-minute pumper

Engine #2: A 1972, 1,500-gallon-per-minute
pumper

Engine #5: A 1968, 750-gallon-per-minute pumper

Tanker #3: A 1963, 1,000-gallon capacity tank
truck

Brush Truck #6: A 1970, four-wheel-drive, 3/4-
ton, brush fire truck

(Tanker #4, a 1948, 500-gallon capacity tanker,
was retired from service and will not be replaced.)

V. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Because of age and maintenance costs, the 1959 pumper should be replaced in the near future. Consideration was given to proposing this replacement in 1977, but more serious problems with our Engine #5 have caused its replacement to be given top priority.

Engine #5, a 1968 pumper, nine years old, has cost \$11,400 to maintain mechanically sound, and additional monies shall be needed shortly should the truck remain. The Board of Fire Engineers recommends that it be replaced immediately.

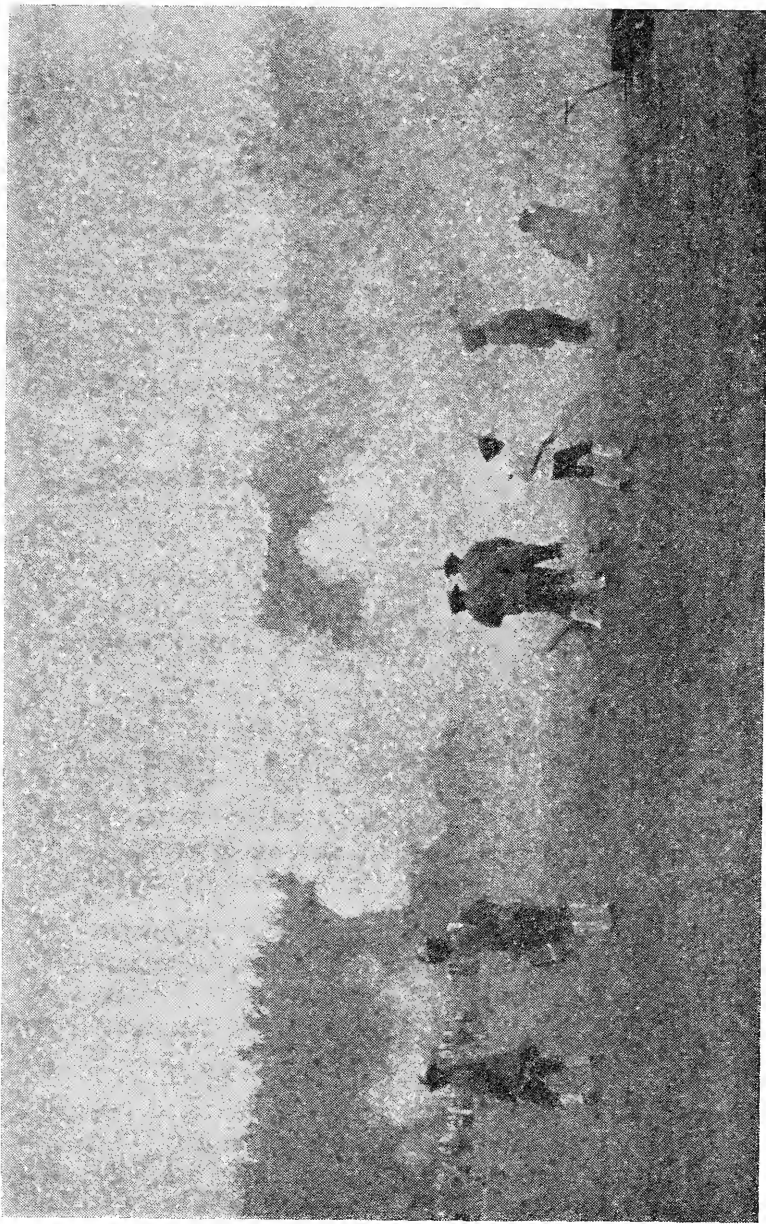
The obvious increase in calls for medical assistance indicates the need for a new piece of apparatus designed for the duties it shall perform. The rescue truck, as proposed in the 1977 warrant, will fulfill this need as well as give the Townspeople the option of directing that it be used to transport emergency

patients to the hospital in future years. The vehicle, needed now to effectively perform the emergency work you are requesting, has the capability of performing additional duties in the years to come.

The fire/rescue boat is again proposed as a necessary expense in carrying out our responsibilities to Island residents, shoreline residents, and Gilford-based boat owners. The craft, as recommended at the 1976 Summer Town Meeting, will be able to reach the islands quickly and handle most emergencies. In addition, it will make the vast resources of water in the lake, that in many areas are inaccessible by our pumpers, available to us for shoreline fire-fighting.

In conclusion, the Gilford Board of Fire Engineers wishes you a fire-safe 1977 and hopes that with your cooperation and support, the Gilford Fire Department will be well-equipped to handle any emergency work we are called upon to perform.

John J. Trocchi, Chief
Ronald Hook, Chairman
Arthur Stern, Engineer
Neil Flaherty, Engineer



Bicentennial Battle of Gilford Village Field — On August 28, 1976, hundreds of Colonial Militia Men reenacted an American Revolution field battle on the Gilford Village Field. The American Independence Army sparked by a gallant effort on the part of a battle unit from Gilford, New Hampshire, won a glorious victory, to the surprise of no one.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

In 1976 the Department of Public Works consisted of the following departments: Town Engineer, Highway Department, Refuse Disposal, Glendale Wharves and Parking, Street Lighting, Cemeteries, Winnepesaukee River Basin, Gilford Sewerage, Tax Mapping, and Building Code Implementation.

The following table indicates the building construction activities in the Town of Gilford.

	1974	1975	1976
Building Permits Issued	175	222	214
Sign Permits	17	24	39
Sewer Permits	72	41	72

There were 50 permits issued for new residences which has increased over 1975. The total value of new construction, as shown on the building permit was in excess of \$2,000,000.

The Public Works Department completely rebuilt a portion of Cotton Hill Road and finished the Riley Road.

The refuse disposal situation has been resolved with the following results:

- 1) Construction of a refuse transfer facility on the Meredith Center Road at the site of Laconia's former incinerator. The refuse will then be transported to a regional landfill at Danbury.
- 2) The City of Laconia and the Town of Gilford will jointly acquire the land as described below for a back-up refuse disposal facility. The land is bordered by the Laconia By-Pass, Gil-

ford Avenue, Public Service Power Line and the old Cotton Hill Road, excluding existing homes.

The Winnepesaukee River Basin Program is progressing slower than the original proposed time schedule, but construction should begin by the summer of 1977. The design of the Gilford sewers is progressing well with the final design scheduled to be completed by October, 1977. If you know of a septic system problem, please call this office so we can assist in the correction of the situation. Do not wait for the sewer system as there may be damage to Gilford's valuable water resources.

The implementation of the Building Code is progressing very well with few problems.

There have been changes in the Highway Department with Robert Bradley as road agent, Tracy Leonard as laborer and John Hurley as mechanic. All of the department deserves a vote of thanks for their efforts to serve the additional road mileage in Gilford without a noticable reduction in services.

A special vote of recognition should be given to Phil Bryant for his devoted service to the Town for close to 20 years. As we plow the Belknap Mountain Road by his house, we wonder if he wishes he was back plowing again.

If you have any questions regarding any of the departments, please feel free to contact us at 524-6284.

O. Joseph April, P.E.
Town Engineer

REPORT OF THE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

1976 was a year filled with activity for the Gilford Bicentennial Commission. Projects and programs were carried out to celebrate our nation's 200th birthday. Every effort was made to include townspeople of all ages so that the celebration would have a true community spirit.

An attractive hard cover book, **HISTORY OF GILFORD**, was published. This was a reprint of the only known early history of the Town by Rev. J. P. Watson. The reprint included paintings and sketches of the Town by several local artists.

The Gilford Militia Company represented the Town at parades and celebrations all over the state. In December, 1976, Frank Quimby participated in the reenactment of Washington crossing the Delaware held on Christmas Day in Trenton, New Jersey. He was one of 15,000 from all over the United States. On New Year's Day Frank was joined by Jim Colby of the local militia at the re-enactment of the Battle of Princeton, New Jersey.

A replica of a "Gundolow," the first form of commercial boat used on Lake Winnepesaukee, was built. The "Gundolow" was Gilford's entry in many area parades. Several trophies were won in the float competition in these parades.

As Gilford's bicentennial gift to future generations, a bandstand was built on the Village Field. A complete sound system was given for use at the bandstand by the Interact Club at Gilford Middle High School.

Another project for the future is the construction

of the Bicentennial Walkway along Gilford Brook from the library to the fire station. This walkway is to be completed in the spring of 1977.

On the Fourth of July a bell ringing ceremony was held at the Thompson Ames Historical Society. John Bartlett of Gilford, a seventh generation descendant of Josiah Bartlett, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, rang the bell. A family picnic on the Village Field preceded the bell ringing and the reading of the Declaration of Independence. The bell was rung at 2 p.m., the same time that bells all over the United States were rung. All Town buildings were decorated with bunting for the Bicentennial Summer.

The high point of the year was the gala three day Bicentennial Weekend, August 27-29, held in conjunction with the annual Old Home Day celebration. On Friday a Colonial Crafts Fair, a giant Balloon Release with weatherman Bob Copeland and a Bicentennial Magic Show and Old Fashioned Melodrama were held. Saturday the traditional Old Home Day activities included a two hour parade, the largest in the Town's history, and a mock battle staged by 250 visiting militia troops. Sunday's activities included special church services, a heritage tour and a band concert at the newly dedicated bandstand by Moulton's Band of Sanbornton.

From the Bicentennial Ball in February to the militia activities in December the Gilford Bicentennial Celebration was a successful example of townspeople working together in true community spirit. It was fun!

Commission Members:

Sheila Weeks, Chairman
Nan Fay, Secretary
Margaret Birch

Mary Flaherty
Helene Gouin
Maurice Gouin

Mel Gurshin
John Goodhue
Willis Hoyt
Pat Morrison
Bernice Paradise
Maurice Paradise
Ruth Pratt
Cecily Quimby
Frank Quimby
Lloyd Quint

Mary Quint
Dexter Royce
Lorraine Royce
Christine Sauter
Carol Tamke
Eric Tamke
Arthur Tilton
Horatio Tower
Don Vachon
Tom Weeks

Marcy Weeks

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FINANCIAL REPORT

**Of the Town of Gilford, N. H. in Belknap County
for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976**

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

William J. Morrison
Gregory M. Dickinson
Clifford W. Birch
Selectmen

Michael E. Sullivan
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

State Head Taxes

Levy of 1970

Debits

Uncollected taxes Jan. 1, 1976:

Head Taxes	\$10.00
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Total Debits	\$10.00
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Credits

Remittances to Treas. During Fiscal

Yr. Ended Dec. 31, 1976:	None
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Abatements made during year:

Head Taxes	10.00
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Uncol. Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976:	None
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Total Credits	\$10.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine T. Royce
Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1974

Debits

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$9,665.37	
Resident Taxes	1,910.00	
Yield Taxes	61.45	
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		\$11,636.82

Added Taxes :

Property Taxes	None	
Resident Taxes	10.00	
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		10.00

Land Use Change Taxes	None
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Overpayments :

a/c Property Taxes	None	
a/c Resident Taxes	30.00	
a/c Yield Tax	14.23	
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		44.23

Int. Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes	89.49
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Penalties Collected on Resident
Taxes

8.00

Total Debits	<hr/> <hr/> \$11,788.54
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Credits

Remittances to Treasurer During
Fiscal Yr. Ended Dec. 31, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$ 773.80
Resident Taxes	90.00
Yield Taxes	75.68
Land Use Change Taxes	None
Int. Col. During Year	89.49
Penalties on Resident Taxes	8.00

\$ 1,036.97

Abatements Made During Year :

Property Taxes	\$ 812.52
Resident Taxes	430.00
Yield Taxes	None

1,242.52

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976 :

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 8,079.05
Resident Taxes	1,430.00

9,509.05

Total Credits

\$11,788.54

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1973

Debits

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$8,255.95
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Resident Taxes	850.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,105.95
Yield Taxes		None
Added Taxes		None
Land Use Change Taxes		None
Overpayments During Year:		
a/c Property Taxes	\$ 6.40	
a/c Resident Taxes	None	
	<hr/>	6.40
Int. Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		53.76
Penalties Col. on Resident Taxes		7.00
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Total Debits		<u>\$9,173.11</u>

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer :

Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$ 273.84	
Resident Taxes	70.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	None	
Yield Taxes	None	
Land Use Change Taxes	None	
Interest Collected	53.76	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	7.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 404.60
Discounts Allowed		None

Abatements Made During Year :

Property Taxes	\$ 143.05	
Resident Taxes	260.00	
Yield Taxes	None	
	<hr/>	403.05

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976 :

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$7,845.46	
Resident Taxes	520.00	
Yield Taxes	None	
	<hr/>	8,365.46

Total Credits	<hr/> <u>\$9,173.11</u>
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Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1972

Debits

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$4,765.78	
Resident Taxes	520.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,285.78

Yield Taxes	None
Added Taxes	None
Land Use Change Taxes	None
Overpayments During Year	None

Int. Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	36.45
Penalties Col. on Resident Taxes	None
Total Debits	<u>\$5,322.23</u>

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer:

Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976:

Property Tax paid previously	
— not posted	\$ 96.00
Property Taxes	134.80
Resident Taxes	None
National Bank Stock Taxes	None
Yield Taxes	None
Land Use Change Taxes	None
Interest Collected	36.45
Penalties on Resident Taxes	None
	<u>\$ 267.25</u>

Discounts Allowed None

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 640.74
Resident Taxes	170.00
Yield Taxes	None
	<u>810.74</u>

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976:

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes \$3,894.24

Resident Taxes	350.00	
Yield Taxes	None	
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		4,244.24
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Total Credits		\$5,322.23
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Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1971

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1976 :		
Property Taxes	\$4,658.68	
Resident Taxes	100.00	
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		\$4,758.68
Yield Taxes		None
Added Taxes		None
Land Use Change Taxes		None
Overpayments During Year		None
Int. Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes		102.26
Penalties Col. on Resident Taxes		None
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Total Debits		\$4,860.94

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer :

Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976 :	
Property Taxes	\$ 380.85
Resident Taxes	None
National Bank Stock Taxes	None
Yield Taxes	None
Land Use Change Taxes	None

Interest Collected	102.26	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	None	
		\$ 483.11
Discounts Allowed		None
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$2,466.35	
Resident Taxes	70.00	
Yield Taxes	None	
		2,536.35
Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976:		
(As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	\$1,811.48	
Resident Taxes	30.00	
Yield Taxes	None	
		1,841.48
Total Credits		<u>\$4,860.94</u>

**Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1970**

Debits

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1976:		
Property Taxes	\$1,588.65	
Poll Taxes	4.00	
Yield Taxes	217.82	
		\$1,810.47
Added Taxes		None

Land Use Change Taxes	None
Overpayments During Year	None
Int. Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes	30.37
Penalties Col. on Resident Taxes	None
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Total Debits	<u><u>\$1,840.84</u></u>

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer :

Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1976 :

Property Taxes	\$ 179.43
Poll Taxes	None
National Bank Stock Taxes	None
Yield Taxes	None
Land Use Change Taxes	None
Interest Collected	30.37
Penalties on Resident Taxes	None

\$ 209.80

Discounts Allowed None

Abatements Made During Year :

Property Taxes	\$ 678.63
Poll Taxes	4.00
Yield Taxes	None

682.63

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976 :

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 730.59
Poll Taxes	None

Yield Taxes	217.82	
	<hr/>	948.41
Total Credits		<hr/> <hr/>
		\$1,840.84

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1976

Debits

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$2,775,305.35
Resident Taxes	32,470.00
Nat'l Bank Stock Taxes	101.70

Total Warrants	<hr/>	\$2,807,877.05
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Yield Taxes	74.44
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$ 10,830.60
Resident Taxes	750.00

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Land Use Change Taxes	None
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Overpayments During Year:

a/c Property Taxes	\$ 2,905.54
a/c Resident Taxes	190.00
a/c Yield Taxes	3.97

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Interest Col. on Delinquent	
Property Taxes	387.78
Penalties Col. on Resident Taxes	71.00

Total Debits	<u>\$2,823,090.38</u>
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Credits

Remittances to Treasurer :

Property Taxes	\$2,192,121.35
Resident Taxes	25,410.00
Nat'l Bank Stock Taxes	101.70
Yield Taxes	78.41
Land Use Change Taxes	None
Interest Collected	387.78
Penalties on Resident Taxes	71.00

	<u>\$2,218,170.24</u>
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Discounts Allowed	None
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Abatements Made During Year :

Property Taxes	\$ 20,112.24
Resident Taxes	1,260.00
Yield Taxes	None

	<u>21,372.24</u>
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Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976 :

(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 576,807.90
Resident Taxes	6,740.00
Yield Taxes	None

	<u>583,547.90</u>
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Total Credits	<u>\$2,823,090.38</u>
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SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

Debits

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:				Previous Years
	1975	1974	1973	
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1976	\$	\$43,979.29	\$13,675.30	\$6,536.46
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	147,421.71	.....	.....	.....
Overpayment .....	.....	.....	2,417.79	.....
Interest Collected After Sale	644.18	2,511.75	2,796.90	1,782.93
Redemption Costs .....	.....	63.44	3.16	.....
Total Debits	\$148,065.89	\$46,554.48	\$18,893.15	\$8,319.39

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer During Year:				
Redemptions	\$ 37,337.30	\$23,819.34	\$15,780.28	\$5,258.91
Interest & Costs After Sale	644.18	2,575.19	2,800.06	1,782.93
Abatements During Year	120.85	121.36	37.90	315.84
Deeded to Town During Year	0	0	0	0
Unredeemed Taxes — Dec. 31, 1976	109,963.56	20,038.59	274.91	961.71
Total Credits	\$148,065.89	\$46,554.48	\$18,893.15	\$8,319.39

- (a) "Balance of Unredeemed Taxes — January 1, 1976:"
Should include balances of Unredeemed Taxes, as of beginning of fiscal year — January 1, 1976 from Tax Sales of Previous Years.
- (b) "Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year:"
Tax Sales held during fiscal year ending December 31, 1976, should include total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale.

NOTE: TOTAL DEBITS and TOTAL CREDITS should agree.



The Bicentennial Ball — *The Gilford Bicentennial Ball kicked off the Town's celebration of our Nation's 200th birthday in February of 1976. Pictured are some of the many townspeople who attended the ball and danced in authentic, beautiful, Colonial Era garb.*

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Year Ending December 31, 1976

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued :

1975 — 134	\$ 1,694.54
1976 — 5,714	112,480.00
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5,848	\$114,174.54

Dog Licenses Issued :

569 Licenses	\$1,479.55
7 Kennel Licenses	100.00
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	1,579.55

Filing Fees from

Candidates for Office	20.00
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Fees Collected :

1,413 Motor Vehicle Titles

processed	1,413.00
4 Letters of residence issued	1.00
24 Agitating Device	
Permits issued	12.00
1 Majority Card processed	.50
5 Pole Licenses recorded	10.00
2 Articles of Agreement	
recorded	4.00
3 Misc. record searches	8.00
46 Marriage licenses issued	230.00
29 Marriage certificates issued	58.00
28 Death certificates issued	56.00
7 Birth certificates issued	14.00
85 Termination notices	
recorded	85.00

2 Release of attachments recorded	1.50
236 Financing statements recorded	472.00
1 Federal Tax Lien recorded	2.00
1 State Tax Lien recorded	2.00
6 Writs recorded	3.00
8 Miscellaneous copies of records issued	17.00
1 Change of address on UCC recorded	2.00
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	2,391.00
Total Received from above sources:	<hr/> \$118,165.09

Credits to following accounts:

Police Department	\$11,131.74
Fire Department	559.79
Highway Department	33,894.39
Administrative Expense	4,538.35
Social Security	882.27
Insurance	939.01
Town Clerk-Tax Col. Dept.	25.94
Town Engineer Department	223.50
Appraisal Department	31.00
Welfare Department	150.00
New Highway Construction	900.00
Retirement	4,487.32
Planning Board	3.30
Property Mapping	211.92
Glendale Wharves	235.00
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	58,213.53

Other Receipts:

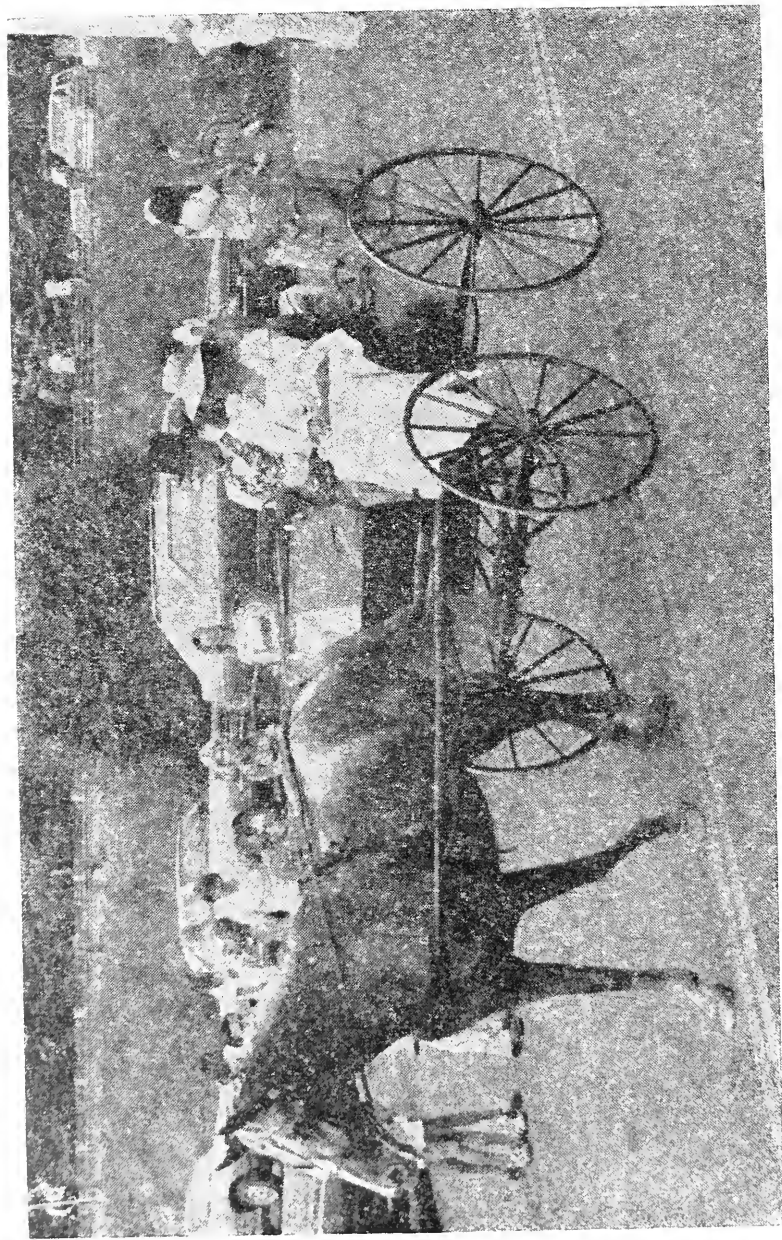
Sale of Maps	25.85
Sale of Ordinance Books	51.00

Sale of Gilford Stories	8.00
Sale of Building Code Books	25.60
Parking Fines	824.00
Rent of Glendale Hall	300.00
Beach Admissions	806.25
Alarm System	220.00
Board of Adjustment	
Applications	220.00
Sewer Permits	415.00
Building Permits	2,075.00
Sign Permits	160.00
Bicentennial Revenue	3,521.84
Ballot Recount	10.00
Manpower Re-imbursement	212.17
Tax Anticipation	
Note receipts	7,386.25
Gunstock Acres Road	
Construction default	201,300.00
Site Plans	95.00
Subdivisions	315.00
Recording Fees from	
Planning Board	364.00
Revenue Sharing Funds	22,627.00
Highway Subsidy Funds	21,422.30
State payment in lieu of taxes	134.78
Telephone Commissions	16.53
Business Profits Tax	57,970.40
Savings Bank Tax	6,599.37
Interest & Dividends Tax	56,930.83
Meals & Rooms Tax	34,397.58
Licenses	50.00
General Funds (Police)	855.99
General Funds (Misc. items)	163.19
Bid Specifications	100.00
State Forest Land	
Re-imbursement	414.06
Refund from State for	
Police Program	300.00

General Funds (Highway)	613.21
Road Toll	1,156.68
Re-imbursement Forest Fire	146.44
Explosives permit	2.00
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	422,235.32
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Total Receipts & Reimbursements	\$480,448.85
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Total Receipts from all sources	\$598,613.94
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Paid to Treasurer	\$598,613.94

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine T. Royce
Town Clerk



Bicentennial Old Home Day Grand Marshall — Leading the Bicentennial Old Home Day parade, in his own horsedrawn carriage, is Grand Marshall John F. Weeks, Sr. Mr. Weeks is a descendant of one of the founding families of Gilford, a former Town Selectman and has, over the years, given unselfishly of himself to his family, and Gilford while creating a successful business through hard work, perseverance and faith in American enterprise.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, Bal. Jan. 1, 1976	\$ 244,361.25
Total Receipts	\$6,449,524.28
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$6,662,482.83
Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1976	\$ 31,402.70

Savings Accounts:

Federal Revenue Sharing Account	
Balance December 31, 1976	\$ 34,907.51
Regular Savings Account	
Balance December 31, 1976	\$ 446,909.64
The above includes \$8,685.44 in Escrow Funds	

Respectfully submitted,

Michael E. Sullivan
Treasurer, Town of Gilford, N. H.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1976

Year of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Amt. of Principal	Bal. Beginning of Year	Interest	Expended	Balance End of Year
1944	Ida Alderson	Laconia Savings Bank	55.00	13.97	3.77	10.00	7.74
1957	Mr & Mrs Al P. Aldrich, Jr.	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.93	6.25	10.00	11.18
1973	Larou Allen & Charlotte Noyes	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	7.21	5.84	5.00	8.05
1962	Mr & Mrs James Ames	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	9.91	8.72	10.00	8.63
1925	James N. Ames	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	15.64	11.76	10.00	17.40
1976*	James & Marguerite Armstrong	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	3.33	10.00	(6.67)
1927	A. H. Bacon	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	53.61	13.84	10.00	57.45
1943	H. Frank Bacon	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	11.13	8.79	10.00	9.92
1948	Milo Bacon & Roy Page	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	102.75	27.43	20.00	110.18
1975	Noriene & Robert Barrett	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	1.65	5.58	.....	7.23
1924	Edwin T. Batchelder	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.74	6.14	10.00	8.88
1953	Elwin Batchelder	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	157.72	25.02	.....	182.74
1965	Harry & Thelma Bean	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	64.29	14.43	.....	78.72
1952	Ansel H. Bernier	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.49	6.24	5.00	15.73
1969	Edna Smith Berquest	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	36.74	12.92	10.00	39.66
1968	Eloise C. Bidwell	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.80	6.30	10.00	12.10
1956	Clara L. Blaisdell	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	65.03	14.48	10.00	69.51
1901	Eliza Blaisdell	Laconia Savings Bank	53.76	7.74	3.34	.....	11.08
1902	Samuel H. Blaisdell	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	29.81	7.08	.....	36.89

1922	Susan E. Blaisdell	Laconia Savings Bank	75.00	21.22	5.24	.....	26.46
1955	William P. Blaisdell	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	61.09	8.78	5.00	64.87
1956	Eugene & Esther Blake	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	35.91	7.39	5.00	38.30
1959	John G. Blake	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.52	6.29	5.00	16.81
1959	Robert & Jeanne Brice	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	67.59	14.61	20.00	62.20
1951	B. Briggs & B. Kingsbury	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.66	5.81	.....	12.47
1954	Dr. Ernest F. Bright	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	61.88	14.29	12.00	64.17
1919	Thomas Britton	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.21	6.27	5.00	16.48
1919	John R. Brown	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.34	6.22	5.00	15.56
1964	Charles & Ruth Burditt	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	27.41	6.93	10.00	24.34
1975	Stanton V. Buzzell	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	1.36	10.98	.....	12.36
1973	Alan & Eloise Chase	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	16.56	11.81	10.00	18.37
1954	Claribel Clark	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	109.16	22.38	.....	131.54
1928	Samuel C. Clark, Jr.	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	23.79	6.73	.....	30.52
1956	Mr & Mrs Sidney E. Clarke	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.56	6.30	5.00	16.86
1953	Alice M. Clifford	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	8.73	8.65	10.00	7.38
1918	Noses Clough	Laconia Savings Bank	25.00	7.62	1.78	.....	9.40
1961	Harry & Eleanor Cochran	Laconia Savings Bank	125.00	51.05	12.35	10.00	53.40
1949	Mabel & John Colby	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	20.67	12.04	10.00	22.71
1972	Leon & Ruth Colson	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.90	5.76	5.00	6.66
1961	Alfred D. Cooper	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	25.88	6.85	10.00	22.73
1970	Haven & Esther Corliss	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	11.79	6.10	5.00	12.89
1969	John & Hilda Crawford	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	76.97	26.06	20.00	83.03
1924	George Crosby	Laconia Savings Bank	125.00	11.34	7.43	10.00	8.77
1965	Archie & Priscilla Cruickshank	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.70	6.20	10.00	9.90
1970	H. Leslie & Ruth Curtis	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	11.04	6.07	5.00	12.11
1962	Mr & Mrs Robert Cushman	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	41.44	10.45	10.00	41.89
1964	LeRoy & David Dale	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	33.39	10.00	10.00	33.39
1928	Reuben S. Dame	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.83	6.31	5.00	17.14
1933	John P. Davis	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.40	5.59	5.00	9.99
1947	M. Louise Davis	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	23.16	6.71	5.00	24.87
1966	Louis DeHart	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.09	5.78	5.00	6.87

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1925	Helen F. Dennen	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	8.30	5.88	5.00	9.18
1940	Warren S. Dockendoff	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	12.34	6.15	5.00	13.49
1958	Mrs Ella Dockham	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	11.27	6.07	5.00	12.34
1955	Carl & Ethel Dolloff	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	29.54	12.52	15.00	27.06
1975	Lawrence & Ruth Dolloff	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.73	5.47	.....	6.20
1971	John C. Dow	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	24.18	6.76	.....	30.94
1970	Thomas & Alice Drever	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	33.36	12.73	10.00	36.09
1930	Arthur H. Drury	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	7.39	5.84	5.00	8.23
1953	Harold W. Eaton	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	4.37	5.69	5.00	5.06
1953	Harry & Lucy Edgcomb	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	15.10	11.73	15.00	11.83
1952	George & Marion Ellrott	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	39.64	7.60	5.00	42.24
1951	Chester B. Emerson	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	19.04	9.22	15.00	13.26
1970	Bert & Blanche Ewing	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	11.99	6.11	5.00	13.10
1957	Frank Flanders	Laconia Savings Bank	25.00	10.13	1.92	5.00	7.05
1957	Samuel Flanders	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.25	6.17	10.00	9.42
1962	Clifton & Bessie Fogg	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	37.26	10.22	10.00	37.48
1945	Carol & Belle Follett	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.44	5.79	5.00	7.23
1923	Hannah G. Follett	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.98	5.82	5.00	7.80
1957	Annie S. Ford	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	25.22	6.82	10.00	22.04
1971	Kenneth & Charlotte Forkey	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	7.98	5.86	5.00	8.84
1939	Lawrence A. Foss	N. H. Savings Bank	150.00	39.12	10.34	10.00	39.46
1969	Frank & Beryl Fountain	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	41.11	13.16	10.00	44.27
1969	Edward E. Fowler	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	70.40	25.70	30.00	66.10
1955	Augustine & Margaret Francis	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	10.13	11.47	10.00	11.60
1949	Asa B. Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.14	5.73	5.00	5.87

1943	Benjamin H. Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	351.15	330.78	37.28	20.00	348.06
1944	George Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	75.67	12.30	10.00	77.97
1937	Mary E. Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	39.29	10.32	.....	49.61
1970	Myrtle Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	35.13	12.83	10.00	37.96
1970	Myrtle Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	31.90	12.66	10.00	34.56
1965	Richard Frohock	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	166.00	25.46	30.00	161.46
1976*	Julia Gagnon & Gertrude Gingras	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	2.43	.....	2.43
1973	Charles & Marion Gallivan	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.41	5.74	5.00	6.15
1917	Francis M. Gilman	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	30.50	12.58	12.00	31.08
1920	Martha Gilman	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	38.51	13.02	12.00	39.53
1944	Ida Glidden	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	66.44	14.55	10.00	70.99
1968	Charles A. Gove	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	96.60	27.12	20.00	103.72
1930	Eleanor J. Gove	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	7.75	5.86	5.00	8.61
1916	Mary J. Gove	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	20.24	9.28	10.00	19.52
1939	Frank & Willie Grant	Laconia Savings Bank	225.00	6.44	12.56	.....	19.00
1922	Frank E. Grant	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.74	6.14	5.00	13.88
1913	Levi Grant	Laconia Savings Bank	50.00	18.96	3.76	.....	22.72
1923	Seth E. Grant	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.92	6.03	5.00	11.95
1976*	Harry & Madelene Graves	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	2.14	.....	2.14
1966	Lawrence & Rhea Guild	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	119.69	28.39	15.00	133.08
1965	Martin & Katherine Hall	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	28.90	9.76	10.00	28.66
1954	Grace V. Hanson	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	106.32	11.25	10.00	107.57
1946	William I. Harris	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	28.28	12.47	10.00	30.75
1962	Paul & Signe Haskell, Jr.	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	25.07	9.56	10.00	24.63
1927	A. Lincoln Hatch	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.88	5.82	5.00	7.70
1965	Benjamin Hatch	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	59.91	14.18	10.00	64.09
1927	Caleb M. Hatch	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.31	6.12	5.00	13.43
1973	Jacqueline & William Hatch	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.54	5.96	5.00	10.50
1972	Frank & Barbara Haverly	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.45	5.78	5.00	7.23
1957	Mr & Mrs Herbert Heath	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.25	5.79	10.00	2.04
1903	Simeon P. Heath	Laconia Savings Bank	60.00	27.02	4.74	5.00	26.76

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1975	Irene & George Henry	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	.37	8.20	8.57
1970	Clyde & Florida Hickey	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.21	6.00	5.00	11.21
1974	Elwyn & Edythe Hook	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.21	5.73	5.00	5.94
1962	Charles A. & Lillian Horn	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	76.04	9.61	10.00	75.65
1974	John F. Howe	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.54	5.74	5.00	6.28
1920	William S. Hoyt	Laconia Savings Bank	75.00	30.97	5.76	10.00	26.73
1969	Hunt & Wadsworth	Laconia Savings Bank	286.00	46.27	18.14	.....	64.41
1900	Sarah P. Hunt	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	16.96	6.36	5.00	18.32
1972	Stanley E. Hunt	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	22.58	12.14	5.00	29.72
1972	Stanley E. Hunt	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.68	5.98	.....	15.66
1962	Alfred R. Hunter	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	31.90	12.67	10.00	34.57
1939	Herman & Alvha Hunter	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	20.93	12.10	10.00	23.03
1964	Benjamin & Vallie Hurd	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	36.27	10.15	10.00	36.42
1976*	Alpheus F. Hutchins, Sr.	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	.....	6.93	.....	6.93
1973	L. Worley & Kaye Jackson	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.93	5.76	5.00	6.69
1947	W. A. & F. M. Jackson & Ray C. Watson	N. H. Savings Bank	400.00	40.38	24.11	20.00	44.49
1919	Annis James	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	50.01	10.93	.....	60.94
1936	Mabel S. James	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	16.90	6.35	5.00	18.25
1941	Nellie D. James	Laconia Savings Bank	50.00	30.56	4.37	5.00	29.93
1947	Dora Keasor	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	30.45	12.57	.....	43.02
1968	Thelma S. Kreitzer	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	17.48	6.39	5.00	18.87
1956	Fred A. Kuss	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.39	6.00	10.00	6.39
1968	Julia A. Ladd	Laconia Savings Bank	2,215.68	637.82	152.26	132.98	657.10
1923	Ann C. Lamprey	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	29.04	7.03	.....	36.07

1972	Gordon & Muriel Langill	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.45	5.78	5.00	7.23
1917	Charles W. Leavitt	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.12	6.17	5.00	14.29
1915	Wealthy C. Leavitt	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.59	5.98	5.00	10.57
1939	Yvonne & Harry Levoy	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	8.06	5.86	5.00	8.92
1924	Liberty Hill Cemetery	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	85.22	10.10	.....	95.32
1926	A. V. Lincoln	Laconia Savings Bank	1,250.00	524.06	86.60	496.98	113.68
1976*	Marjorie J. Lowell	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	1.13	.....	1.13
1954	Alice M. McGraw	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.91	5.98	5.00	10.89
1955	John & Lucy McGuinness	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	29.91	9.81	10.00	29.72
1975	Mrs Robert E. McWha	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	4.10	5.67	5.00	4.77
1976*	Elsie & John MacEachern	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	4.88	.....	4.88
1966	Arthur & Thelma Manning	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	17.41	6.38	5.00	18.79
1975	Ray & Ida Mather	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	1.65	5.53	.....	7.18
1958	Ralph Matthews	Laconia Savings Bank	125.00	66.88	10.47	.....	77.35
1965	Mr & Mrs Ralph Milliken	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	20.44	6.57	5.00	22.01
1960	Mr & Mrs Ernest Morin	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	42.93	10.52	10.00	43.45
1929	Clara Morrill	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.91	6.21	5.00	15.12
1934	Clara Ellen Morrill	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.18	6.27	5.00	16.45
1942	Harry W. Moss	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.49	6.13	5.00	13.62
1927	Dr. George W. Munsey	Laconia Savings Bank	500.00	194.12	37.95	30.00	202.07
1970	Howard & Jessie Naylor	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	33.87	12.76	10.00	36.63
1962	Oscar D. Nichols	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	22.75	6.69	5.00	24.44
1974	Gail & William Norton	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	7.63	11.32	10.00	8.95
1946	Elmer Olsen	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	7.53	8.59	12.00	4.12
1975	Fred & Eleanor Olsen	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	.....	10.52	.....	10.52
1974	Roy & Barbara Ostrand	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.80	5.76	5.00	6.56
1956	Frank & Etta Page	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	85.95	10.15	30.00	66.10
1960	Kenneth & Helen Park	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	95.97	10.68	10.00	96.65
1972	Horace & Gladys Patten	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	16.55	11.81	5.00	23.36
1948	J. Patten & A. Moulton	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	19.85	6.53	5.00	21.38
1929	Edward A. Perkins	Laconia Savings Bank	50.00	16.65	3.63	.....	20.28
1969	Harold & Evelyn Perkins	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.03	6.12	5.00	13.15

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1972	Elmon & Iva Phelps	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	19.05	11.94	10.00	20.99
1973	Gilbert & Virginia Phelps	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.37	5.74	5.00	6.11
1963	Mr & Mrs Wesley Phelps	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	32.13	9.94	10.00	32.07
1924	Pine Grove Cemetery	Laconia Savings Bank	1,350.00	586.31	105.85	.....	692.16
1965	Augustus & Eulalie Pitou, 2nd	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	18.74	6.47	5.00	20.21
1936	Lillian B. Plowman	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	43.55	13.29	10.00	46.84
1924	John M. Potter	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	72.52	14.88	12.00	75.40
1944	Joseph Potter, Jr.	Indian Head Nat'l Bank	100.00	39.52	7.30	.....	46.82
1924	Joseph Potter	Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank	103.78	15.94	7.51	.....	23.45
1925	William Potter	Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank	207.55	85.84	15.03	.....	100.87
1944	William & Fred Potter	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	32.85	12.71	12.00	33.56
1941	Samuel J. Prescott	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	36.92	12.93	.....	49.85
1976*	Bernard & Catherine Rand	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	.....	2.14	.....	2.14
1973	Harvey & Vera Rand	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.40	5.78	5.00	7.18
1902	Lucy M. Rand	N. H. Savings Bank	151.00	41.84	10.55	.....	52.39
1948	Oscar V. Rand	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	50.14	10.92	10.00	51.06
1974	C. W. Rasmussen & E. W. Melberg	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	4.62	5.69	5.00	5.31
1974	George Read	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.29	5.78	5.00	7.07
1969	Theodate & Eliot Remick	Laconia Savings Bank	5,000.00	256.38	287.73	500.00	44.11
1974	Sylvia R. Richardson	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	11.68	11.55	10.00	13.23
1935	Cora E. Roberts	N. H. Savings Bank	125.00	37.30	8.87	.....	46.17
1972	Emmons & Virginia Roberts	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.13	5.77	5.00	6.90

1966	Paul Robie	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	56.27	13.99	10.00	60.26
1969	Ruth & Willard Rollins	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.64	6.24	5.00	15.88
1971	Ruth E. Rollins	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	48.46	13.56	.....	62.02
1929	Emily S. Rowe	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.99	6.03	5.00	12.02
1915	Sarah F. Rowe	Laconia Savings Bank	75.00	36.10	6.07	5.00	37.17
1913	Simon Rowe	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	7.79	5.86	5.00	8.65
1972	Carl & Hazel Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	31.99	12.67	10.00	34.66
1957	Elizabeth H. Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	1,000.00	563.55	85.45	36.50	612.50
1898	Emily B. Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	350.00	78.13	23.40	30.00	71.53
1921	Enoch Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.76	6.20	5.00	14.96
1959	Everett & Viola Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	38.11	7.54	10.00	35.65
1954	Jacob Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	1,000.00	291.39	70.57	.....	361.96
1921	Jacob Sanborn	Indian Head Nat'l Bank	200.00	123.35	16.69	.....	140.04
1936	John Earl Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	4.17	5.65	6.00	3.82
1947	Orman M. Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	23.96	12.22	10.00	26.18
1903	Philina M. Sanborn	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.91	6.32	5.00	17.23
1935	Belle Sanders	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	77.81	9.73	.....	87.54
1975	Addison L. Sandford	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	3.97	22.07	.....	26.04
1945	C.E. & M.W. Sawyer	Laconia Savings Bank	250.00	31.65	15.37	20.00	27.02
1962	James A. Sawyer	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	40.08	10.36	10.00	40.44
1924	Levi Sawyer	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	157.18	24.97	20.00	162.15
1911	Nancy Sawyer	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	25.86	6.85	.....	32.71
1952	M.M. Schreiner & J.F. Goddard	Laconia Savings Bank	500.00	136.31	34.78	30.00	141.09
1967	Franklin C. Seeley	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	51.47	13.71	10.00	55.18
1954	Fred & Florence Shurbert	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	75.21	9.56	10.00	74.77
1964	Mr & Mrs Sleeper & Mr & Mrs Nadon	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	33.41	10.00	10.00	33.41
1944	Charles Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.77	6.31	5.00	17.08
1948	Claude R. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	160.00	16.81	9.65	5.00	21.46
1930	Daniel Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	55.00	29.43	4.60	5.00	29.03
1954	David & Celia Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	59.23	8.68	10.00	57.91
1917	David Y. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.28	6.17	5.00	14.45

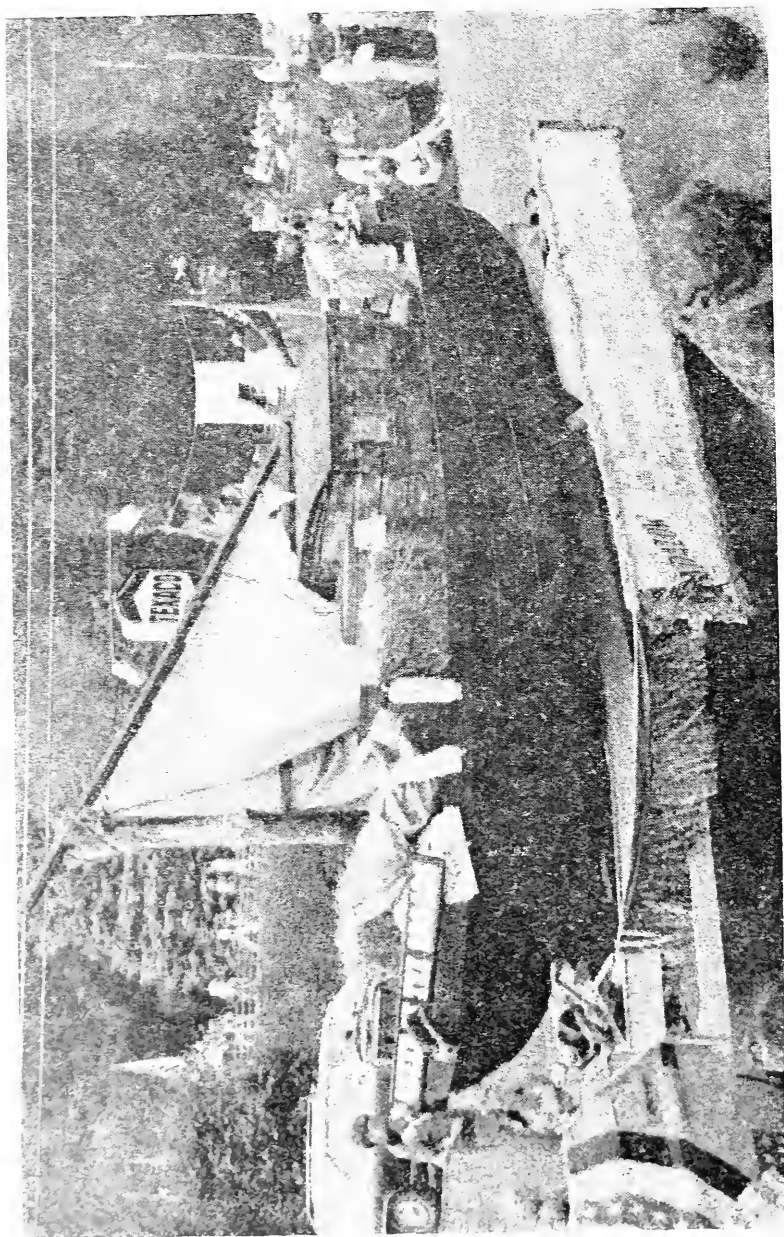
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1961	Frederick & Linnie Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	23.60	6.73	5.00	25.33
1914	John P. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	400.00	70.61	25.73	31.00	65.34
1924	Joseph E. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	22.03	6.65	.....	28.68
1913	Lydia F. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	20.99	6.60	.....	27.59
1975	Nathan & Carolyn Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	3.98	8.88	5.00	7.36
1968	Mr & Mrs Otis S. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.13	6.27	5.00	16.40
1974	Samuel & Hung Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	2.99	5.62	5.00	3.61
1928	Sarah P. Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	2,500.00	1,185.52	201.44	.....	1,386.96
1963	William & Anna Smith	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	150.74	24.61	10.00	165.35
1973	Henry & Margaret Spear	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	15.80	11.76	10.00	17.56
1954	Walter Sproule	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	106.32	11.25	20.00	97.57
1970	Ernest A. Stone	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.41	6.23	5.00	15.64
1960	Richard & Frances Talbot	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.38	6.23	5.00	15.61
1975	Evelyn & Roy Tardy	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	6.09	11.24	5.00	12.33
1957	Walter & Lillian Tate	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	60.71	11.50	20.00	52.21
1926	Charles S. Thompson	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.50	6.30	5.00	16.80
1944	Thurston & Copp	Laconia Savings Bank	35.00	16.42	2.81	.....	19.23
1973	Viola & Leo Tibbetts	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	8.25	5.88	5.00	9.13
1969	Ernest & Grace Tobey	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	43.01	13.27	20.00	36.28
1969	Edmund C. Varney	Laconia Savings Bank	2,000.00	675.34	146.25	20.00	801.59
1956	A. Rena G. Vincent	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.01	6.27	5.00	16.28
1901	Ellen E. S. Wadleigh	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	6.04	11.24	12.00	5.28
1917	John G. Wadley	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	27.58	4.24	10.00	21.82
1943	Benjamin Wadley	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	25.62	6.83	5.00	27.45
1959	Todd & Jean Wallace	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	12.91	6.14	5.00	14.05

1974	Irene & George Wallsten	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	5.52	5.74	5.00	6.26
1922	William W. Watson	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.74	6.20	5.00	14.94
1954	Dorothy K. Watts	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	14.23	6.22	5.00	15.45
1962	Harry & Helen Webster	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	16.14	6.32	5.00	17.46
1905	Benjamin Weeks	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	9.64	6.00	5.00	10.64
1938	Fred R. Weeks	N. H. Savings Bank	300.00	13.71	23.75	10.00	148.46
1953	Grace L. Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	8.60	5.92	5.00	9.52
1911	John H. Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	150.00	10.68	8.76	5.00	14.44
1969	John & Esther Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	40.75	13.14	10.00	43.89
1936	Laura A. Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	3,000.00	2,219.97	285.36	47.00	2,458.33
1969	Orrin H. Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	300.00	76.41	20.56	20.00	76.97
1917	William H. Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	15.85	6.31	5.00	17.16
1970	William & Helen Weeks	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	8.77	5.91	5.00	9.68
1973	Betty & Daniel Wentworth	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	21.42	12.09	10.00	23.51
1973	Maynard E. Wentzel	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	6.40	5.79	5.00	7.19
1965	Otis & Mary White	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	61.92	14.29	10.00	66.21
1962	Elverton & Madelene Whitney	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	43.47	13.28	10.00	46.75
1956	Louise & Stewart Whitney	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	13.35	6.18	5.00	14.53
1931	Mary A. Whittier	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	33.42	12.74	.....	46.16
1953	Harold & Margaret Wilkinson	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	45.08	13.37	5.00	53.45
1970	Carl & Maria Willberg	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.49	6.00	5.00	11.49
1971	Robert & Adele Wing	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	9.56	5.98	.....	15.54
1975	Jessie Woods	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	2.40	5.58	.....	7.98
1970	W.A. & Elva Woodward	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	10.69	6.03	5.00	11.72
1974	Gordon & Barbara Yale	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	12.08	11.57	10.00	13.65
GRAND TOTALS			\$56,933.92	\$14,944.48	\$3,890.10	\$3,079.46	\$15,765.12

* New Fund Created

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WAYNE E. SNOW
MILO BACON
RAY C. WATSON
Trustees



Gilford's Bicentennial Gundalow — As a commemorative to the Bicentennial, significant to Gilford's own history, several townspeople led by Merrill Fay and Arthur Tilton, constructed this magnificent replica of a gundalow, the first form of commercial boat ever used on Lake Winnepesaukee. The gundalow was Gilford's entry in many area and state bicentennial parades and celebrations and won several float competition trophies.

HOW YOUR 1976 TAXES WERE DETERMINED

Basically two factors determine the tax rate; the total valuation of Town property (also known as the tax base) and the total budget (that is: The total of the school budget, town budget and county budget).

The summary of valuation, Report No. 1 on the following pages, is the breakdown of the total assessed valuation of all taxable property in the Town.

The Town appropriations, Report No. 2 on the following pages, is a list of appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting (that constitute, in effect, the Town portion of the budget).

Report No. 3 on the following pages, is the estimate of revenues to be received by the Town (estimated income sources for the Town) these are deducted from the appropriations to come up with the net Town budget or, in other words, the net amount of money that must be raised to support the Town's operations.

Report No. 4 is the actual computation of the tax rate. The net Town appropriation (appropriations voted less estimated revenues) is added to the net school appropriation (total appropriations voted for the school department less their estimated revenues). Added to these two figures is the county tax assessment (Gilford's portion of support the county budget). These three budgets are then totaled for the grand total (Town, School, County) budget. The Town's return from the State business profits tax is deducted from the total of the three budgets and then added to it are the expense to the Town for exemptions from taxes to foreign war veterans and

the “overlay” which is the amount provided to cover expenditures that cannot be budgeted, such as property tax abatement awards and refunds to taxpayers for various reasons. With the reimbursements from the business profits tax deducted from the total to be raised by taxes and the veterans exemptions and overlay added to it; we then have the final amount to be raised by property taxes. The net amount to be raised by property taxes is then divided by the total net valuation to determine the tax rate. $91,868,900$ (net valuation or tax base \div $2,802,001$ (total budget to be raised by taxes) = **\$30.50 Tax Rate** per \$1,000 of valuation.

1.

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

April 1, 1976

Land	\$33,972,040
Buildings	52,132,165
Factory Buildings	61,250
Public Water Utility	12,900
Public Utilities — Gas	25,130
Electric	1,408,700
House Trailer, Mobile Homes	
Travel Trailers Assessed as	
Personal Property	1,633,090
Boat & Launches	3,191,510
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Total Valuation Before	
Exemptions Allowed	92,452,470
Less: Elderly Exemption — 106	578,570
Blind Exemption — 1	5,000
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	\$91,868,900

2.

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	18,534
Town Officers' Expenses	148,113
Election & Registration Expenses	2,390
NHMA Collective Bargaining Service	1,368
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	25,000
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	31,011
Property Mapping	1,000
Police Department	150,764
Bldg. Code Enforcement	6,705
Fire Department	91,571
Audit	15,032
Insurance	42,244
Planning & Zoning	15,335
Damages & Legal Expenses	5,775
Civilian Defense	338
Health Department (Incl. Hospitals & Ambulance)	28,598
Fire Pond	9,000
Sewers	40,000
Town Dump & Garbage Collection	43,800
Glendale Wharves & Parking Lot	3,400
Street Lighting	10,000
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	180,930
Town Road Aid	1,082
Libraries	22,243
Town Poor	11,832
Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day, etc.)	15,100
Recreation (Parks, Playgrounds, etc.)	27,500
Municipal Water — Electric Utilities	2,936
Cemeteries	450
Advertising & Regional Association	1,050
Principal — Long Term Notes	20,000
Interest — Long Term Notes	2,968
Interest on Temporary Loans	16,750

Capital Outlay (List Below)	153,442
New Highway Equip. Art. #39:82716	
New Highway Const. Art. #40:35350	
Win. River Basin Prj. Art. #41:35376	
Revaluation	45,000
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Total Town Appropriations	\$1,191,260

3.

ESTIMATE OF REVENUES

Interest and Dividends Tax	56,931
Savings Bank Tax	6,599
Meals and Rooms Tax	29,460
Reimb. a/c State & Federal Lands	414
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	62
Interest Received on Taxes	24,000
Interest Received on Deposits	10,000
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	5,000
Dog Licenses	1,517
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	90,000
Rent of Town Property & Equipment	195
Fines & Forfeits — Municipal Court	600
National Bank Stock Taxes	102
Resident Taxes	32,470
Surplus	16,000
Revenue Sharing	57,396
Highway Subsidy	21,422
Miscellaneous	19,162
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Total Revenues and Credits	\$431,330.56

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COMPUTATION OF 1976 TAXES ASSESSED

Net Town Appropriations	\$ 759,929.44
Net School Appropriations	1,868,333.05
County Tax Assessment	180,576.95
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Total of Town, School & County	\$2,808,839.44
Deduct: Total Bus. Profits	
Tax Reimbursement	\$ 57,969.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits	\$ 30,600.00
Overlay	\$ 20,531.01
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Amt. to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$2,411,245.18

91,868,900 (net valuation or tax base \div 2,802,001
 (total budget to be raised by taxes) = \$30.50 **Tax**
Rate per \$1,000 of valuation.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

For the Year Ending December 31, 1976

	Appropriations	Receipts and Accts Receivable*	Total Available	Expended or Encumbered**	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town Officer's Salaries	\$ 18,534.00	\$	\$ 18,534.00	\$ 18,339.32	\$ 194.68	\$
Selectmen's Adm Expense	55,500.00	4,538.35	60,038.35	59,227.80	810.55	.....
Appraisal Department	30,213.00	31.00	30,244.00	29,766.55	477.45	.....
Town Clerk — Tax Collector	26,000.00	25.94	26,025.94	25,771.24	254.70	.....
Election & Registration	2,390.00	.....	2,390.00	2,555.49	.....	165.49
Property Mapping	1,000.00	211.92	1,211.92	1,094.81	117.11	.....
Ambulance Service	15,950.00	.....	15,950.00	18,788.69	.....	2,838.69
Retirement & Social Security	31,011.00	5,364.59	36,375.59	38,019.09	.....	1,643.50
Insurance	42,244.00	1,151.18	43,395.18	40,856.77	2,538.41	.....
Conservation Commission	1,200.00	.....	1,200.00	712.43	487.57	.....
N. H. Humane Society	700.00	.....	700.00	700.00	.....	.....
Community Action Program	432.00	.....	432.00	432.00	.....	.....
Lakes Reg Comm Health Agency	6,000.00	.....	6,000.00	6,000.00	.....	.....
Dog Damage	75.00	.....	75.00	600.00	.....	.....
Legal Expense	5,000.00	3,454.00	8,454.00	8,453.63	.37	525.00
Welfare Department	11,400.00	150.00	11,550.00	12,901.06	.....	1,351.06
Memorial Day	100.00	.....	100.00	93.00	7.00	.....
Old Home Day	3,000.00	.....	3,000.00	3,000.00	.....	.....
Interest on Temporary Loans	16,750.00	.....	16,750.00	24,495.83	.....	7,745.83
Interest on Long Term Notes	2,968.00	.....	2,968.00	2,968.35	.....	.35
Payment of Notes & Bonds	20,000.00	.....	20,000.00	20,000.00	.....	.....
Civil Defense	338.00	.....	338.00	127.65	210.35	.....
Town Engineer	36,000.00	223.50	36,223.50	35,989.43	234.07	.....
Town Hall & Buildings	25,000.00	2,387.00	27,387.00	27,052.85	334.15	.....
Highway Department	180,930.00	32,894.39	213,824.39	211,503.97	2,320.42	.....
Sanitary Landfill	43,800.00	.....	43,800.00	43,799.84	.16	.....
Glendale Wharves & Parking Lot	3,400.00	235.00	3,635.00	2,367.34	1,267.66	.....
Cemeteries	450.00	.....	450.00	450.00	.....	.....
Street Lighting	10,000.00	.....	10,000.00	9,423.76	576.24	.....
New Highway Equipment	82,716.00	1,000.00	83,716.00	83,257.26	458.74	.....
Town Road Aid Expense	1,082.00	.....	1,082.00	1,082.05	.....	.05
Bicentennial Commission	15,000.00	.....	15,000.00	15,000.10	.....	.10

Winnepesaukee River Basin Program	35,376.00	.....	35,376.00	35,376.42	.....	.42
Gilford Building Code Enforcement ..	6,705.00	25.60	6,730.60	6,551.50	179.10	.....
Sewer Study	40,000.00	.....	40,000.00	39,999.54	.46	.....
Lakes Region General Hospital	6,648.00	.....	6,648.00	6,648.00	.....	.....
Lakes Region Association	1,050.00	.....	1,050.00	1,050.00	.....	.....
Laconia Water Works	2,936.00	.....	2,936.00	3,070.67	.....	.....
Gilford Public Library	22,243.00	.....	22,243.00	22,243.00	.....	134.67
Revaluation	45,000.00	.....	45,000.00	44,999.76	.....	.....
NHMA Collective Bargaining Service	1,368.00	.....	1,368.00	1,368.00	24	.....
Fire Pond	9,000.00	.....	9,000.00	9,000.47	.....	.....
Police Department	150,764.00	16,633.74	167,397.74	167,726.32	.....	47
Board of Adjustment	1,037.00	.....	1,037.00	851.22	185.78	.....
Fire Department	91,571.00	559.79	92,130.79	91,918.26	212.53	.....
Budget Committee	400.00	.....	400.00	527.27	.....	127.27
Planning Board	8,882.00	3.30	8,885.30	6,441.28	2,444.02	.....
Historic District Commission	410.00	.....	410.00	359.00	51.00	.....
Lakes Region Planning Commission ..	3,806.00	.....	3,806.00	3,806.00	.....	.....
State Audit	15,032.00	.....	15,032.00	15,032.14	.....	.14
New Highway Construction	35,350.00	900.00	36,250.00	36,249.82	.....	.....
Recreation Commission	24,500.00	.....	24,500.00	19,446.04	5,053.96	.....
Totals	\$1,191,261.00	\$69,789.30	\$1,261,050.30	\$1,257,495.02	\$18,416.90	\$14,862.62
				Less Overdrafts	14,862.62	
				Net Balance	\$ 3,555.28	

* Accounts Receivable	From Law Enforcement Assistance Agency	\$5,500.00
** Encumbrances	Sanitary Landfill	\$ 8,540.00
	Bicentennial Commission	1,880.00
	Winnepesaukee River Basin Program	5,722.00
	Sewer Study	29,127.00
	Revaluation	30,833.00
	NHMA Collective Bargaining Service	1,368.00
	Fire Pond	8,957.00
	State Audit	3,196.00
	New Highway Construction	12,304.00
	Total Carry-overs for 1977	\$101,927.00

To be carried over as special appropriations for expenditure when necessary.

UNEXPENDED BALANCES FROM PREVIOUS CARRY OVER APPROPRIATIONS

	Appropriations	Receipts and Accts Receivable	Total Available	Expended or Encumbered	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Fire Detection System	\$ 969.65	\$	\$ 969.65	\$	\$ 969.65	\$
Town Building Plans	1,620.25	.....	1,620.25	.....	1,620.25	.....
Town Sewer Plan	11,989.60	.....	11,989.60	.....	11,989.60	.....
New Highway Construction	716.53	.....	716.53	.....	716.53	.....
Land Purchase Costs & Surveys	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....
Site Improvement	10,600.00	.....	10,600.00	.....	10,600.00	.....
Land Acquisition	21,360.00	.....	21,360.00	.....	21,360.00	.....
Winnepesaukee River Basin Program	12,000.00	.....	12,000.00	12,000.00	.....	.....
Stonewall Park	12,000.00	6,000.00	18,000.00	10,525.41	7,474.59	.....
Totals	\$72,256.03	\$6,000.00	\$78,256.03	\$22,525.41	\$55,730.62	\$



The Gilford Militia — The Gilford Militia Company was mustered early in 1776 and represented our Town at parades, celebrations and mock battles all over the state. In December of 1776, Frank Quimby, pictured above 3rd from left, participated in the re-enactment of General Washington's crossing of the Delaware that was held on Christmas Day in Trenton, New Jersey. He was one of 15,000 Bicentennial Year Militia Men from all over the United States to participate in the event. On New Years Day, Frank was joined by Jim Colby of Gilford in the re-enactment of the Battle of Princeton, New Jersey. Members of the 12th Militia Company, Gilford 10th New Hampshire Regiment pictured above, Left to right: Kneeling: George Olewine, Roger Moores. Left to right: Standing: Bill Lyon, Karen Quimby, Maj. Frank Quimby, Jim Colby, Bill Sauter, Frank Binnette, Capt. Doug Leitch.

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash :

In hands of treasurer	\$513,219.85
In hands of officials	
Petty Cash	225.00

Total		\$ 513,444.85
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Accounts Due to the Town

Law Enforcement Asst.

Agency	5,500.00
B.O.R. Matching Funds	6,000.00
Pmyt. in Lieu of Taxes	6,586.65
Fees & Licenses	10.00
Gen. Funds — from Dept.	819.34

Total		18,915.99
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Unredeemed Taxes :

Levy of 1975	109,963.56
Levy of 1974	20,038.59
Previous Years	1,236.62

Total		131,238.77
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Uncollected Taxes :

Levy of 1976, including

Resident Taxes	583,547.90
Levy of 1975	15,455.20
Levy of 1974	9,509.05
Previous Years	15,399.59

Total		623,911.74
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Grand Total		\$1,287,511.35
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Current Surplus, 12-31-75	176,403.04
Current Surplus, 12-31-76	331,530.28
Increase of Surplus	155,127.24

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town :

Unexpended Balances of
Special Appropriations \$ 55,730.62

Unexpended Rev. Sharing
Funds, including interest 34,907.51

Performance Guarantee
(Bond) Deposits,
including interest 8,126.93

Due to State 224.45

Yield Tax Deposits
including interest 558.51

School District 856,433.05

Total Accounts Owed by the Town	955,981.07
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Total Liabilities	955,981.07
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Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	331,530.28
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Grand Total	\$1,287,511.35
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Summary of Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 18,339.32
Town officers' expenses	128,467.24
Election and registration expenses	2,555.49
Expenses town hall and other	
town buildings	27,052.85
Reappraisal of Property	38,092.31

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	167,726.32
Fire department, including	
forest fires	91,961.73
Planning and Zoning	11,098.50
Damage by dogs	600.00
Insurance	40,856.77
Civil Defense	127.65
Conservation Commission	712.43

Health:

Health dept., including	
hospitals & ambulance	31,868.69
Town dumps and	
garbage removal	35,259.84

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,082.05
Street lighting	9,423.76
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	211,503.97

Libraries:

Libraries	22,243.00
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	4,276.66
Town poor	8,224.40

Patriotic Purposes :

Memorial Day. Veteran's Associations & Old Home Day	16,213.10
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Recreation :

Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	29,971.45
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Public Service Enterprises :

Municipal water and electric departments	3,070.67
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	450.00

Unclassified :

Damages and legal expenses	8,453.63
Advertising and Regional Assoc.	1,050.00
Taxes bought by town	147,421.71
Discounts, Abatements and refunds	30,599.29
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	38,019.09
All Other Current Maintenance Expenses	70,663.07

Total Current Maint. Expenses	1,197,384.99
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Debt Service :

Interest on Debt:

Paid on tax anticipation notes	23,451.25
Paid on long term notes	2,968.35

Total Interest Payments	26,419.60
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Principal of Debt :

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	1,200,000.00
Payments on long term notes	20,000.00

Total Principal Payments	1,220,000.00
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Capital Outlay :	
Highways and Bridges —	
Town construction	23,945.82
Sewer construction, Including	
Sewage Treatment Plants	10,872.54
New equipment — Highway	83,257.26
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Total Outlay Payments	118,075.62
Payments to Other	
Governmental Divisions :	
Payments to State a-c 2 %	
Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes	117.83
Taxes paid to County	180,576.95
Payments to School Districts	
1975 Tax — \$745,488.16	
1976 Tax — \$1,001,900.00	
Total Payments to School Districts	1,747,388.16
Total Payments to Other	
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Governmental Divisions	1,928,082.94
Total Payments for all Purposes	4,489,963.15
Cash on hand December 31, 1976	513,444.85
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Grand Total	5,003,408.00

Summary of Receipts

Current Revenue :	
From Local Taxes :	
1976 Property Taxes	2,192,121.35
1976 Resident Taxes	25,410.00
Nat'l Bank Stock Taxes — 1976	101.70
1976 Yield Taxes	33.25

Total Current Year's Taxes	
Collected and Remitted	2,217,666.30
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes	
— Previous Years	546,575.57
Resident Taxes — Previous Years	5,661.00
Interest received on	
Delinquent Taxes	26,178.45
Penalties: Resident Taxes &	
State Head Taxes	590.00
Tax sales redeemed	82,798.87

From State :

Highway Subsidy	21,422.30
Interest and dividends tax	56,930.83
Savings Bank Tax	6,599.37
Reimb. a-c State and	
Federal forest lands	414.06
Meals and Rooms Tax	34,397.58
Reimb. a-c Business Profits Tax	57,970.40
All Other Receipts from State	134.78

From Local Sources, Except Taxes :

Dog Licenses	1,579.55
Business licenses, permits and	
filing fees	6,198.00
Fines and forfeits, municipal &	
District Court	824.00
Rent of town property	305.00
Interest received on deposits	17,949.80
Income from departments	4,330.09
Credits to Departments	58,448.30
Motor vehicle permits	114,174.54

Total Current Revenue Receipts	3,261,148.79
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Receipts Other than Current Revenue :

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	1,200,000.00
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Yield Tax Security Deposits including interest	1,268.50
Grants from U.S.A.	
Revenue Sharing	47,718.00
Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	1,806.61
All Other Receipts	204,873.89
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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	1,455,667.00
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Total Receipts from All Sources	4,716,815.79
Cash on Hand January 1, 1976	286,475.89
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Grand Total	5,003,291.68

Notice: The Summary of Payments Grand Total exceeds the Summary of Receipts Grand Total by \$116.32 as reported herein. This out of balance condition will be reconciled prior to, or when the 1976 reports are audited.



"Curses the Villain is Foiled" — or "Hearts and Flowers" was the title of an old fashioned melodrama performed at the Gilford Middle High School on Old Home Day during the Bicentennial Celebration, week-end. The play was preceded by a bicentennial magic show and followed by a gala fireworks display and dance on the Village Field. The players, left to right: Sandy McGonagle, Peter Millham, Lise Howe, Larry Guild, Barbara Souza.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

DETAIL NO. 1

Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation	\$18,534.00
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Expenditures

Selectmen	\$ 4,543.82
Town Clerk-Tax Collector	12,595.50
Treasurer	1,200.00
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	\$18,339.32

DETAIL NO. 2

Selectmen's Administrative Expense

Appropriation	\$55,500.00
Reimbursements	4,538.35
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Total Available	\$60,038.35

Expenditures

Wages	\$40,860.04
Supplies	3,108.35
Postage	4,176.07
Telephone	725.65
Office Equipment	219.94
Meetings & Dues	206.50
Travel Expense	72.47
Miscellaneous	341.85
Machine Maintenance	1,454.65
Books & Magazines	86.75
Printing	4,171.40
Publishing Notices	397.73
Christmas Party	616.40

Recognitions	28.00
Photocopy	1,900.00
NH Municipal Assoc.	862.00
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	\$59,227.80

DETAIL NO. 3

Appraisal Department

Appropriation	\$30,213.00
Reimbursements	31.00
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Total Available	\$30,244.00

Expenditures

Wages	\$27,054.22
Supplies	217.97
Postage	13.83
Telephone	536.11
Office Equipment	114.00
Meetings & Dues	45.00
Travel Expense	980.23
Miscellaneous	21.09
Boat Hire	50.00
Film	63.80
Tax Commission Assistance	161.04
Books	137.35
Boat Inventory	371.91
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	\$29,766.55

DETAIL NO. 4

Town Clerk - Tax Collector

Appropriation	\$26,000.00
Reimbursements	25.94
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Total Available	\$26,025.94

Expenditures	
Wages	\$20,007.22
Supplies	748.30
Postage	1,564.58
Telephone	446.72
Office Equipment	403.44
Meetings & Dues	256.55
Travel Expense	43.45
Miscellaneous	129.21
Machine Maintenance	103.09
Books & Magazines	69.51
Printing	1,377.75
Publishing Notices	64.42
Recording Notices	557.00
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	\$25,771.24

DETAIL NO. 5

Election and Registration

Appropriation	\$ 2,390.00
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Expenditures	
Wages	\$ 1,321.50
Supplies	107.17
Postage	23.99
Checklists	308.00
Printing Notices	212.00
Dinners for Officials	551.65
Miscellaneous	10.18
Police Services	21.00
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	\$ 2,555.49

DETAIL NO. 6

Property Mapping

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00
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Reimbursements	211.92
Total Available	<hr/> \$ 1,211.92
Expenditures	
Carl Heinrich Company	\$ 725.00
Ronald M. Mitchell & Associates	231.00
Miscellaneous Supplies	138.81
	<hr/> \$ 1,094.81

DETAIL NO. 7
Ambulance Service

Appropriation	\$15,950.00
Expenditures	
City of Laconia	\$14,480.00
Wages	4,100.08
Maintenance & Medical Supplies	208.61
	<hr/> \$18,788.69

DETAIL NO. 8

Retirement and Social Security

Appropriation	\$31,011.00
Reimbursements	5,364.59
Total Available	<hr/> \$36,375.59
Expenditures	
Social Security	\$19,147.48
Retirement-Police Department	8,980.51
Retirement-Fire Department	4,153.84
Retirement-All Others	5,737.26
	<hr/> \$38,019.09

DETAIL NO. 9**Insurance**

Appropriation	\$42,244.00
Reimbursements	1,151.18
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Total Available	\$43,395.18

Expenditures

Melcher & Prescott Agency	\$18,088.00
Davis & Towle Agency	8,043.21
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	14,725.56
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	\$40,856.77

DETAIL NO. 10**Conservation Commission**

Appropriation	\$ 1,200.00
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Expenditures

Wages	\$ 192.92
Supplies	77.45
Postage & Photo copies	31.26
Meetings & Dues	150.80
Conservation Camp Scholarship	260.00
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	\$ 712.43

DETAIL NO. 11**New Hampshire Humane Society**

Appropriation	\$ 700.00
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Expenditures

New Hampshire Humane Society	\$ 700.00
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DETAIL NO. 12**Community Action Program**

Appropriation	\$ 432.00
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Expenditures

Community Action Program	
Belknap-Merrimack Counties	\$ 432.00

DETAIL NO. 13

Lakes Region Community Health Agency

Appropriation	\$ 6,000.00
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Expenditures

Lakes Reg. Community Health Agency	\$ 6,000.00
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DETAIL NO. 14

Dog Damage

Appropriation	\$ 75.00
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Expenditures

Susan Harris	\$ 420.00
Rachel Breton	55.00
Donald York	125.00
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	\$ 600.00

DETAIL NO. 15

Legal Expense

Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00
Reimbursement	3,454.00
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Total Available	\$ 8,454.00

Expenditures

Nighswander, Lord, Martin & Killkelley	\$ 8,188.63
Snierson, Chandler & Copithorne	265.00
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	\$ 8,453.63

DETAIL NO. 16**Welfare**

Appropriation	\$11,400.00
Reimbursements	150.00
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Total Available	\$11,550.00

Expenditures

Old Age Assistance	\$ 4,276.66
Direct Relief	8,224.40
Travel & Misc. Admin. Expense	400.00
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	\$12,901.06

DETAIL NO. 17**Memorial Day**

Appropriation	\$ 100.00
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Expenditures

Prescott Flower Shop	\$ 93.00
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DETAIL NO. 18**Old Home Day**

Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00
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Expenditures

Saymore Trophy	\$ 25.00
Lakes Regionnaires	100.00
Belknap County 4-H	125.00
W E M J	200.00
Sacred Heart Royal Knights	300.00
Pine Tree Warriors	325.00
Manchester Boys Club	
Muchachos & Gauchos	400.00
5th Maine Regiment	475.00
Elks Trojans & Spartans	650.00

Rockingham Fireworks Mfg. & Display Co. Inc.	400.00
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	\$ 3,000.00

DETAIL NO. 19

Interest on Temporary Loans

Appropriation	\$16,750.00
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Expenditures

Interest on Tax Anticipation Loans	\$23,451.25
Interest on Tax Refunds	1,044.58
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	\$24,495.83

DETAIL NO. 20

Interest on Long Term Notes

Appropriation	\$ 2,968.35
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Expenditures

Estate of Ruth S. Wilson	\$ 2,058.35
Laconia Savings Bank	310.00
Indian Head National Bank	600.00
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	\$ 2,968.35

DETAIL NO. 21

Payments of Notes & Bonds

Appropriation	\$20,000.00
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Expenditures

Estate of Ruth S. Wilson	\$ 4,000.00
Laconia Savings Bank	10,000.00
Indian Head National Bank	6,000.00
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	\$20,000.00

DETAIL NO. 22**Civil Defense**

Appropriation	\$	338.00
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Expenditures

L & L Engraving Company	\$	3.80
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Radio Shack		123.85
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	\$	127.65
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DETAIL NO. 23**Town Engineer**

Appropriation	\$36,000.00
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Reimbursements	223.50
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	\$36,223.50
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Expenditures

Wages	\$33,113.81
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Supplies	378.29
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Postage	134.76
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Telephone	822.88
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Office Equipment	222.70
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Meetings, School & Travel	412.13
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Equipment Maintenance	80.51
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Miscellaneous	292.92
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Truck Maintenance	132.44
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Publications	135.50
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Gasoline	263.49
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	\$35,989.43
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DETAIL NO. 24**Town Hall & Buildings**

Appropriation	\$25,000.00
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Reimbursements	2,387.00
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Total Available	\$27,387.00
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Expenditures

Wages	\$ 8,907.72
Supplies	1,872.04
Fuel	3,940.45
Rubbish Collection	228.00
Travel Expense	727.41
Miscellaneous	2,521.56
Glendale Water	50.00
Glendale Fire Station	121.50
Glendale Town Docks	25.00
Gilford Village Water	133.66
Central Fire Station	641.81
Town Hall	121.87
Highway Garage	18.00
Electricity	5,481.72
Heater Maintenance	312.11
Rental Space	1,950.00
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	\$27,052.85

DETAIL NO. 25

Highway Department

Appropriation	\$180,930.00
Reimbursements	32,894.39

Expenditures

Maintenance & Reconstruction	
Wages	\$ 99,297.96
Culverts	1,000.00
Road Oil	1,276.00
Telephone	535.04
Asphalt	21,059.13
Gravel	523.29
Salt	13,445.97
Miscellaneous	2,399.40
Cold Patch	8,190.23
Bridge Maintenance	700.00

Traffic Signs	731.76
Equipment	2,507.00
Tree Service	485.00
Maintenance & Operation	
Wages	10,719.76
Gasoline	26,084.19
Diesel	2,062.80
Kerosene	35.64
Oil, Fluid & Grease	760.72
Tires	1,676.74
Anti-freeze	172.48
Miscellaneous	1,532.25
Bolts, Nuts, etc.	288.81
Steel	2,112.38
Welding Supplies	164.50
Chains	470.60
Miscellaneous	1,760.31
Mechanical Parts	9,564.36
Mechanical Equipment	274.48
Specialized Services	1,673.08
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	\$211,503.97

DETAIL NO. 26
Sanitary Landfill

Appropriation	\$43,800.00
Expenditures	
Design	\$ 867.91
Rental or Operation	33,583.46
Miscellaneous	808.47
Site Improvement	
Allowable carry over for 1977	5,540.00
Land Acquisition	
Allowable carry over for 1977	3,000.00
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	\$43,799.84

DETAIL NO. 27

Glendale Wharves & Parking Lot

Appropriation	\$ 3,400.00
Reimbursements	235.00

Total Available	\$ 3,635.00
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Expenditures

Wages	\$ 1,069.14
Supplies	1.00
Dock Maintenance	27.70
Rubbish Colleciton	1,269.50

	\$ 2,367.34
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DETAIL NO. 28

Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$ 450.00
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Expenditures

Sally Hatch	\$ 200.00
Boy Scouts, Troop #243	250.00

	\$ 450.00
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DETAIL NO. 29

Street Lighting

Appropriation	\$10,000.00
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Expenditures

Public Service Co. of NH	\$ 9,423.76
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DETAIL NO. 30

New Highway Equipment

Appropriation	\$82,716.00
Reimbursements	1,000.00

Total Available	\$83,716.00
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Expenditures	
NH Explosives & Machinery	\$36,350.00
Rines' Garage Inc	28,310.00
Barrett Equipment	9,067.20
Piper Motors Co., Inc.	5,751.00
Spring & Equipment Co., Inc.	1,700.00
McGreevy Buick-Cad Inc.	1,160.00
Northstar Steel & Aluminum	695.24
Irwin Motors Inc.	129.00
2 Way Comm. Service Inc.	94.82
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	\$83,257.26

DETAIL NO. 31
Town Road Aid Expense

Appropriation	\$ 1,082.00
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Expenditures	
State of New Hampshire	\$ 1,082.35

DETAIL NO. 32
Bicentennial Commission

Appropriation	\$15,000.00
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Expenditures	
Construction of Bandstand	\$ 3,170.90
Expenses for Bicentennial Celebration & expenses for the publication of the Bicentennial Book	9,949.20
Bicentennial Commission	
Allowable carry over for 1977	\$ 1,880.00
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	\$15,000.10

DETAIL NO. 33 Winnepesaukee River Basin Program	
Appropriation	\$35,376.00

Expenditures

Administration	\$ 3,928.18
Construction	23,341.32
Construction	
Allowable carry over for 1977	5,722.00
Engineering	2,384.92
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	\$35,376.42

DETAIL NO. 34**Gilford Building Code Enforcement**

Appropriation	\$ 6,705.00
Reimbursements	25.60
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Total Available	\$ 6,730.60

Expenditures

Wages	\$ 5,299.00
Supplies	220.87
Mileage	595.32
Postage	39.58
Publications	46.25
Dues	110.00
Meetings	240.48
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	\$ 6,551.50

DETAIL NO. 35**Sewer Study**

Appropriation	\$40,000.00
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Expenditures

Anderson-Nichols	\$10,750.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	122.54
Sewer Study	
Allowable carry over for 1977	29,127.00
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	\$39,999.54

DETAIL NO. 36

Lakes Region General Hospital

Appropriation	\$ 6,648.00
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Expenditures

Lakes Region General Hospital	\$ 6,648.00
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DETAIL NO. 37

Lakes Region Association

Appropriation	\$ 1,050.00
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Expenditures

Lakes Region Association	\$ 1,050.00
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DETAIL NO. 38

Laconia Water Works

Appropriation	\$ 2,936.00
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Expenditures

Laconia Water Works	\$ 3,070.67
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DETAIL NO. 39

Gilford Public Library

Appropriation	\$22,243.00
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Expenditures

Gilford Public Library	\$22,243.00
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DETAIL NO. 40

Revaluation

Appropriation	\$45,000.00
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Expenditures

Revaluation & Misc. Expenses	\$14,166.76
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Revaluation	
Allowable carry over for 1977	30,833.00
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	\$44,999.76

DETAIL NO. 41

N.H.M.A. Collective Bargaining Service

Appropriation	\$ 1,368.00
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Expenditures

N.H.M.A. Collective Bargaining Service	
Allowable carry over for 1977	\$ 1,368.00

DETAIL NO. 42

Fire Pond

Appropriation	\$ 9,000.00
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Expenditures

Publishing Notices	\$ 43.47
Fire Pond	
Allowable carry over for 1977	8,957.00
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	\$ 9,000.47

DETAIL NO. 43

Police Department

Appropriation	\$150,764.00
Reimbursements	16,633.74
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Total Available	\$167,397.74

Expenditures

Wages-Permanent employees	\$108,926.28
Wages-Part time employees	1,073.59
Wages-Overtime	5,717.11
Wages-Holiday & Vacations	3,353.64

Office Supplies	1,523.62
Books & Publications	417.13
Dues & Meetings	75.00
Training	908.72
Other Administrative Expense	754.75
Radio Maintenance	988.02
Telephone	2,994.57
Teletype	567.60
Cruiser Replacement	7,727.08
Maintenance & Repair	1,637.86
Gas, Oil, & Tires	9,494.53
Equipment & Supplies	1,526.37
Uniforms	2,214.88
Plant Expense	1,067.74
Highway Safety	54.00
Investigator	9,181.31
Breathalyzer	204.94
Miscellaneous	1,489.08
Contracted Services	5,808.50
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	\$167,726.32

DETAIL NO. 44

Fire Department

Appropriation	\$91,571.00
Reimbursements	559.79
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Total Available	\$92,130.79

Expenditures

Wages-Permanent employees	\$60,430.80
Wages-Call men	4,597.37
Wages-Part time	2,291.51
Wages-Overtime	1,388.53
Telephone Expenses	896.28
Mutual Aid Dues	50.00

Clothing Allowance-permanent	732.50
Office Supplies & Postage	593.03
Station Maintenance & Supplies	994.91
Miscellaneous Expense	300.96
Rental films & Photography	149.91
Publications	216.84
Equipment	149.82
Supplies	337.73
Travel — In-state	41.74
Travel — Out-of-state	274.87
Meetings & Seminars	400.00
Motor Fuel	1,724.13
Supplies & Tools	814.25
Parts, Tires & Batteries	2,252.76
Contractual Repairs	2,078.67
Protection Clothing	1,012.85
Office Equipment	530.89
Radio Equipment	1,544.40
Fire & Rescue Equipment	3,246.01
Vehicles & Vehicle Equipment	4,761.36
Miscellaneous Forestry	106.14
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	\$91,918.26

DETAIL NO. 45

Board of Adjustment

Appropriation	\$ 1,037.00
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Expenditures

Wages	\$ 458.23
Supplies	129.86
Postage	144.10
Publications Notices	119.03
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	\$ 851.22

DETAIL NO. 46
Budget Committee

Appropriation	\$ 400.00
Expenditures	
Wages	\$ 303.27
Miscellaneous	224.00
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	\$ 527.27

DETAIL NO. 47
Planning Board

Appropriation	\$ 8,882.00
Reimbursements	3.30
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Total Available	\$ 8,885.30

Expenditures	
Wages	\$ 4,686.02
Supplies	270.22
Postage	363.96
Telephone	289.48
Office Equipment	19.39
Meetings & Dues	50.00
Travel Expense	71.83
Publications & Newspaper Ads	313.38
Registry of Deeds	296.00
Land Use Study	81.00
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	\$ 6,441.28

DETAIL NO. 48
Historic District Commission

Appropriation	\$ 410.00
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Expenditures

Winnisquam Mailing Service	\$ 291.00
University of New Hampshire	60.00
Citizen Publishing Company	8.00
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	\$ 359.00

DETAIL NO. 49

Lakes Region Planning Commission

Appropriation	\$ 3,806.00
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Expenditures

Lakes Region Planning Commission	\$ 3,806.00
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DETAIL NO. 50

State Audit

Appropriation	\$15,032.00
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Expenditures

State of New Hampshire	\$11,436.14
Rental of Hall	400.00
Audit	
Allowable carry over for 1977	3,196.00
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	\$15,032.14

DETAIL NO. 51

New Highway Construction

Appropriation	\$35,350.00
Reimbursements	900.00

Total Available	<hr/>
	\$36,250.00

Expenditures

Construction & Equipment	\$23,945.82
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New Highway Construction	
Allowable carry over for 1977	12,304.00
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	\$36,249.82

DETAIL NO. 52

Recreation Commission

Appropriation	\$24,500.00
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Expenditures

Gilford Beach	
Wages	\$ 9,722.70
General Maintenance	3,343.48
Capital Improvement	1,275.00

Village Field	
Wages	\$ 292.50
General Maintenance	2,279.36
Capital Improvement	2,133.00

Lincoln Park	
Pike Industries	\$ 400.00
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	\$19,446.04

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS
FROM PREVIOUS CARRY OVER
APPROPRIATIONS**

DETAIL NO. 53

Fire Detection System

Carry over Appropriation	\$ 969.65
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Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 54

Town Building Plans

Carry over Appropriation \$ 1,620.25

Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 55

Town Sewer Plan

Carry over Appropriation \$11,989.60

Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 56

New Highway Construction

Carry over Appropriation \$ 716.53

Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 57

Land Purchase Costs & Surveys

Carry over Appropriation \$ 1,000.00

Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 58

Site Improvement

Carry over Appropriation \$10,600.00

Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 59

Land Acquisition

Carry over Appropriation	\$21,360.00
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Expenditures

NONE

DETAIL NO. 60

Winnepesaukee River Basin Program-Construction

Carry over Appropriation	\$12,000.00
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Expenditures

NH Water Supply & Pollution Control Commission	\$12,000.00
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DETAIL NO. 61

Stonewall Park

Carry over Appropriation	\$12,000.00
Reimbursements	6,000.00
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Total Available	\$18,000.00

Expenditures

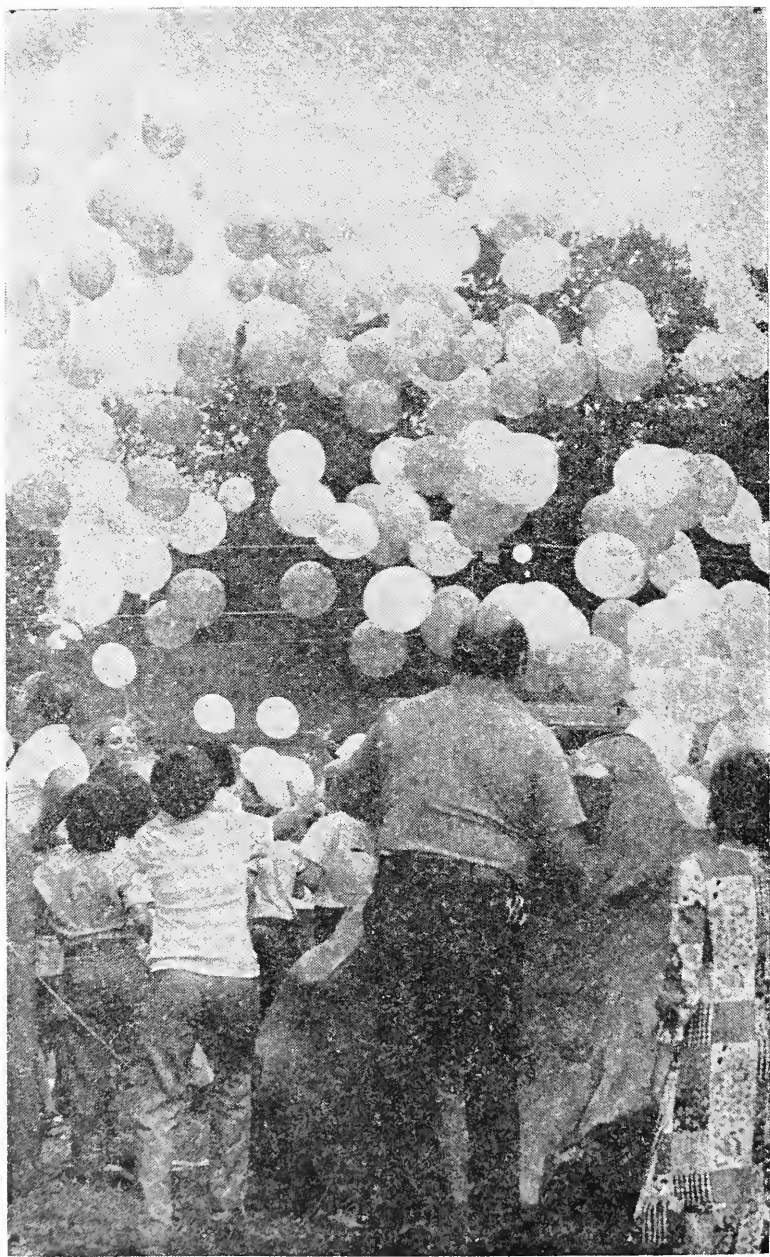
Ronald M. Mitchell & Associates	\$ 1,500.00
Ken Nutter Construction Co., Inc.	9,000.00
Publishing Notices	25.41
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	\$10,525.41

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

December 31, 1976

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding Bonds
and Long Term Notes

	Wilson Land Notes 1970 — 5% Orig. Amt.	Fire Truck Notes 1972 — 4% Orig. Amt.
Maturities	\$60,000.00	\$38,000.00
1977	4,000.00	6,000.00
1978	4,000.00	6,000.00
1979	4,000.00	
1980	4,000.00	
1981	4,000.00	
1982	4,000.00	
1983	4,000.00	
1984	4,000.00	
1985	4,000.00	
Total	<hr/> \$36,000.00	<hr/> \$12,000.00



Balloon Release — On Friday, August 27th, Gilford's Bicentennial week-end celebration was launched with a gala balloon release that saw thousands of colorful balloons fill the sky above the Gilford Village Center.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$ 63,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	18,500.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings	34,570.00
Furniture and Equipment	10,500.00
Police Department Equipment	32,000.00
Fire Department Land and Buildings	190,000.00
Equipment	115,000.00
Glendale Fire Station	46,000.00
Highway Department Equipment	75,800.00
Materials and Supplies	6,250.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	1,000,000.00
Water Works (District)	25,000.00
School, Lands and Buildings and Equipment	5,775,000.00
Land Acquired thru Tax Col. Deeds	
George Allen Land	4,000.00
Robert Tilton Land	26,500.00
State School Land	15,600.00
Civil Defense Equipment	6,000.00
Hunt Land Gravel Bank	32,000.00
Old Town Barns and Land	18,000.00
Wilson Land and Buildings	70,000.00
Weeks Land	23,000.00
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Total	\$7,586,720.00

STATEMENT OF REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

Beginning Balance January 1, 1976	\$20,278.90
Receipts: Federal Revenue Sharing	
January 9, 1976	\$11,312.00
April 9, 1976	11,312.00
July 23, 1976	11,315.00
October 5, 1976	13,779.00
Interest Earned	1,806.61
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid	34,896.00
Ending Balance December 31, 1976	\$34,907.51

Annual Report

of the

School District

of the town of

Gilford

New Hampshire

For the year ending June 30, 1976

OFFICERS OF THE
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR
Peter V. Millham

CLERK
Melinda Westergren

TREASURER
Lewis Aldrich

SCHOOL BOARD

Dr. Leo Sanfacon, Chairperson	Term Expires 1977
Mary Lou Grevatt, Clerk	Term Expires 1977
Alida Millham	Term Expires 1978
Elizabeth B. MacLonald	Term Expires 1979
James L. Thompson	Term Expires 1979

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Robert W. Musgrove
Tel. 524-5710

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
Alexander J. Blastos
Tel. 524-5710

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR
Wesley J. Colby
Tel. 524-5710

Regular meetings of the School Board are on the
First and Third Mondays of each month at 7:30 P.M.

GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

March 17, 1976

The Gilford School District Meeting for 1976 was first called to order at 7:30 P.M. on March 16, 1976. It was moved by Mrs. Millham and seconded by Dr. Sanfacon that the meeting be postponed to the following evening because of poor weather. The motion passed.

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, March 17 at 7:30 P.M. at the Gilford Middle High School by Moderator Millham.

It was moved and seconded by Mr. Richard Campbell that the reading of the articles of the warrant be dispensed with and dealt with one at a time. The motion passed.

Moderator Millham read the results of the school district election. In 1976-1977 there will be two certified auditors. Merrill Fay and Richard Ray were elected auditors by write-in votes.

John Richards was presented a plaque in appreciation of nine years of service on the Gilford School Board.

Article 1. Mrs. Grevatt moved that the salaries of the School Board, Truant Officer, and any other officers or agent of the district for 1976-77 be set at \$2,220. to be as follows:

School Board Chairman	\$300.
School Board Members (4)	\$800.
Moderator	10.
District Clerk	10.
Treasurer	1,000.
Truant Officer	100.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Millham. This article passed.

Article 2. Mrs. Millham moved that the reports of the agents, auditors, committees or officers chosen shall be accepted as printed in the 1975 Town Report. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

Mr. Campbell requested that the detailed information prepared by the School Board and distributed to the townspeople at the meeting be included in the Annual Report. He also asked that this Spring or Summer, information be published regarding up-to-date use of funds for the building of the Middle High School.

This article passed.

Article 3. Dr. Sanfacon moved that since there are no committees to be chosen at this time, we pass to the next article. This motion was seconded by Mr. Richards and passed.

Article 4. Mr. Howarth moved that the town raise and appropriate the sum of two million, one hundred sixty-four thousand, two hundred eighty-five dollars and sixty-one cents (\$2,164,285.61) for the support of the schools, for the salaries of school district officers and agents and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sanfacon.

Amendment Motions for Article 4.

Account 135.1. Mr. Richard moved that the contracted services account be amended from \$300. to \$600. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

It was explained that this year two census takers are needed to computerize data. The use of com-

puters saves time and helps calculate the shortest bus routes. There will also be a census of handicapped children.

The motion was carried.

Account 210.3. Mr. Richards moved that this salary item (teachers) be amended from \$700,000. to \$759,587. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

It was explained that the increase includes two extra teachers at the Middle High School level: one reading teacher and one physical education teacher. The reading teacher is already being paid for through the Right to Read Program of the Supervisory Union. Mr. Morrison explained that the physical education teacher was needed primarily at the high school to teach "Lifetime Sports" for Grades 9, 10, and 11. These include individual and small group sports: tennis, golf, cross country. Already gym classes are large.

Mr. Campbell proposed an amendment to the amendment which excluded the reading teacher and physical education teacher and deducted their combined salaries (\$21,500.) from \$759,587. to make a final figure of \$738,087. The motion to amend the amendment was seconded by Bruce Marriott.

Mr. Howarth suggested that we should keep within the Budget Committees recommendation of \$700,000. for this item, and said that the budget can be decreased in some areas while increased in others. The amendment to the amendment was defeated by a standing vote.

It was explained that the teachers were receiving a raise of 8% to be distributed among the teachers according to their schedule. \$5,000. is allotted for the replacement of teachers in the Elementary School

and \$15,000. for the Middle High School. Money is needed for changing tracks.

Any unencumbered balance if not used for emergency use for the schools is returned to the town.

The amendment for Account 210.3 was passed.

Account 210.4. Mr. Richards moved that this salary item be amended from \$69,000. to \$73,242. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt and carried.

Account 210.5. Mr. Richards moved that this salary item be amended from \$63,658. to \$66,992. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

Mr. Brunelle explained that there was a new job category at the elementary school. This included "Assistant Teacher" which was a similar category to an aide except the individual had to have a teaching certificate, and had an excellent prospect to go on to teach full-time. The raise for the Assistant Teacher would be from \$2.35 to \$3.00 an hour. The motion was carried.

Account 230. Mr. Richards moved that Teaching Supplies be amended from \$34,000. to \$41,545. It was seconded by Mrs. Millham and passed.

Account 235.11 and 235.12. Contracted Services. It was explained that the Elementary and Middle High School planned to get a Cable for educational television.

Account 290.1. Mr. Richards moved that Professional dues, Books and Magazines be amended from \$1,515. to \$2,515. It was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt. The motion was carried.

Account 290.8. Mr. Richards moved that the item for Inservice Training be amended from \$1,000. to

\$1,500. Attendance of teachers at most workshops is mandatory. The motion was seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and passed.

Account 290.9. Mr. Richards moved that the Course Reimbursement account be amended from \$2,000. to \$4,125. It was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Kling suggested that in addition to teachers, some other employees take courses. The custodians could take courses in Electrical Engineering.

The motion was carried.

Account 410.1. Mr. Richards moved that Nurses' Salaries be amended from \$31,730. to \$32,437. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Millham and carried.

Account 735. Mr. Richards moved that the account Contracted Services of Maintenance be amended from \$18,000. to \$31,875. It was seconded by Mrs. Millham and passed.

Account 1075.1. Mr. Richards moved that the Interscholastic Athletics account be amended from \$14,000. to \$18,329. It was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

Mr. Morrison explained that teams have been added at the Middle High School where uniforms, sweatsuits, golf balls, stop watches are needed for golf, girl's track and the Cross Country Team.

Mr. Campbell explained that he felt that there should be matching funds from students for Interscholastic Activities.

The motion passed.

Account 1075.2. Mr. Richards moved that the Field Trip account be amended from \$3,500. to \$5,602. Mr. Morrison explained that now students are being asked to contribute 25 % of cost of meals on field trips.

Mr. Kling moved an amendment to the amendment to increase by \$800. this account so that students need not pay for meals. There was no second.

The original motion was seconded by Mrs. Millham and carried.

Account 1075.3. Mr. Richards moved that the Student Activities allowance be amended from \$4,000. to \$4,350. This was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt. At the elementary level, activities include basketball, spring hockey, and floor hockey. At the Middle High School level this includes intermural activities.

Account 1265. Mr. Richards moved that the Capital Outlay allocation be amended from \$5,605. to \$12,105. It was seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and carried.

Account 1266. Mr. Richards moved for an allocation for Buildings for \$19,700. be placed in the budget. It was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt.

Mr. Brunelle gave a visual presentation of the Pod System for the Elementary School.

Mr. April voiced his opposition to the Pod System, saying that he thought the Open Classroom had not yet proven itself.

Mr. Campbell moved to have half of the Pod System installed at a figure of \$9,850. The amendment to the amendment was defeated.

The original motion was carried.

Account 1267. Mr. Richards moved that the New Equipment allocation be amended from \$25,000. to \$34,513. It was seconded by Mrs. Millham.

Mr. Morrison said that equipment was needed at the Middle High School for Music, Library, Industrial Arts, and Business Education. At the Elementary School, equipment needed includes Audio-Visual

Equipment, File Equipment, a kiln for Ceramics, and an Oxygen Kit.

The motion was carried.

Account 1600. Mr. Richards moved that the allocation for Adult Education be increased from \$1. to \$7,050. This was seconded by Mrs. Grevatt and passed.

Account 850.1

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Mr. Richards moved that the Fixed Charges accounts be amended from \$133,464. to \$140,265. It was seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and carried.

Article 4. The final figure for Article 4 after the amendments and adjustments had been made was \$2,313,837 (two million, three hundred thirteen thousand, eight hundred thirty-seven dollars). Article 4 was carried.

Article 5. Mrs. MacDonald moved that the Board of Education be granted full authority to enter into any necessary agreements with the State Board of Education regarding the Area No. 8 Regional Vocational Center and that the Board of Education participate in the Area No. 8 Regional Vocational Center Program in accordance with RSA Chapter 188-E. Article 5 was seconded by Mr. Richards and carried.

Article 6. Mrs. Grevatt moved that the Board of Education be granted authority to organize a special committee of residents for the purpose of investigating a cooperative school arrangement to go into effect at the conclusion of the present five year Area School Agreement between the towns of Gilford and

Gilmanton which will expire on the 30th of June, 1978. It was seconded by Mrs. MacDonald.

Mrs. Grevatt explained that Gilmanton also had this article on their warrant.

Mr. Nighswander suggested that the article be broadened to include "or other" arrangement. The motion carried.

Article 7. Mrs. Millham moved to empower the School Board to ask the Division of Municipal Accounting of the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration, to conduct a certified audit of the school district's 1976-1977 financial records by no later than January 1, 1978. It was seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and passed.

There being no further business, Moderator Millham adjourned the meeting at 11:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda J. Westergren
Gilford School District Clerk

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF GILFORD

To the People of the Town of Gilford:

This is the fourth year I have had the honor of submitting to you the annual report of the Gilford School District.

As most of you know, the last five years has been a hectic period for education within the school district. Addressing themselves to problems stretching back decades, the people of this town decided to develop their own K-12 school system to be readied for operation by the fall of 1974.

The school district has made this conversion due to: (a) an appropriation of 5 million dollars to provide new school buildings, (b) the gargantuan efforts of a very dedicated building committee, (c) the total absorption of school board members in this task, and (d) an immense professional staff effort to meet challenges and deadlines of the conversion plan without compromising quality or education offered in the school district.

It is my sincere belief that this conversion period has ended. In our view the middle school and high school have developed exemplary programs and the secondary student of this town has access to a stimulating academic and sports program. The modest remodeling of portions of the elementary school has resulted in a modern and flexible program.

Each passing semester sees more long-range plans coming to fruition with resulting benefits for those the schools serve.

The shakedown period is over; we are on our way.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Musgrove
Superintendent

FINANCIAL REPORT

Gilford School District

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1976

Receipts

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1975	\$ 21,137.66
Current Appropriation	1,742,488.16
Tuition, Regular School Year	116,650.25
Tuition, Adult Education	4,030.00
Rent	66,776.06
Miscellaneous Revenue	12,133.61
School Building Aid	116,639.25
Driver Education	7,409.44
Sweepstakes	22,705.50
Incentive Aid	1,952.28
Foster Children Aid	720.00
NDEA Title III	200.00
School Lunch & Special Milk Program	27,757.00
Total Receipts	\$2,140,599.21

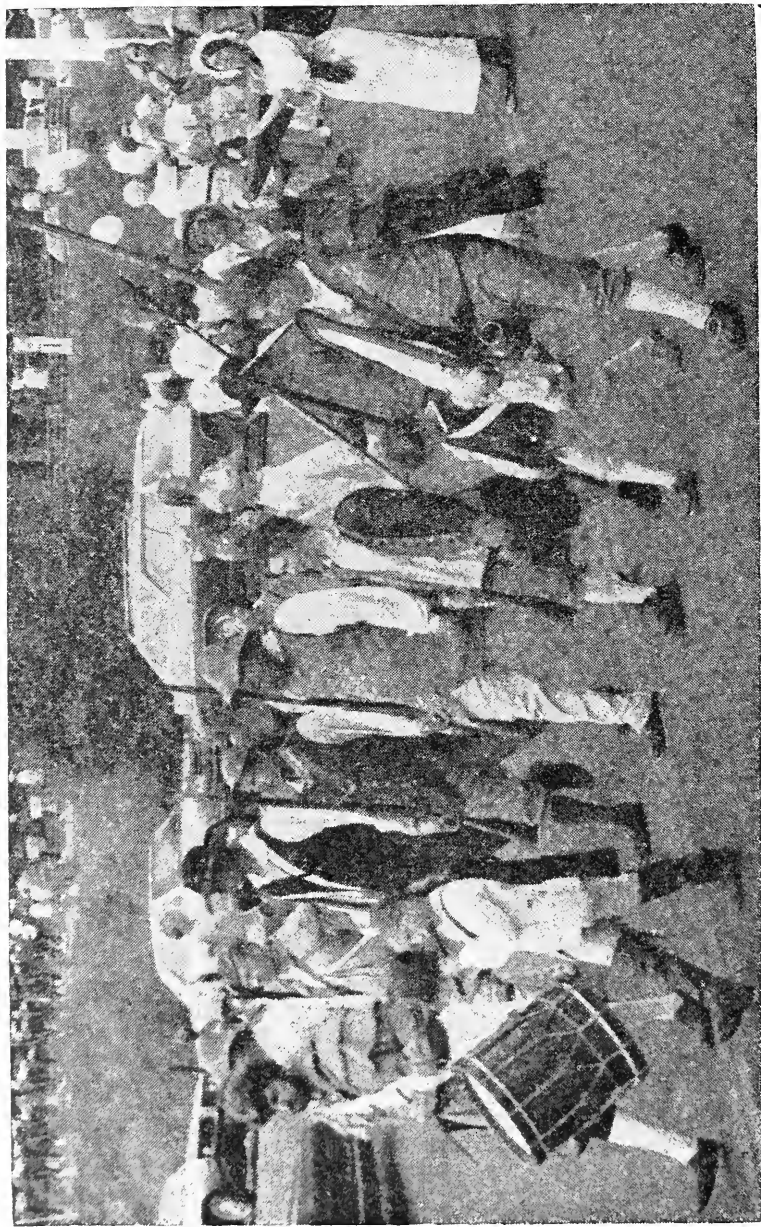
Expenditures

	Approved Budget 1975-76	Expended 1975-76
110 Salaries, District Officers	\$ 1,545.00	\$ 1,545.00
135 Contracted Services for Admin.	300.00	300.00
190 Other Expenses for Admin.	1,730.00	6,234.92
210 Salaries	879,989.00	847,550.17
215 Textbooks	10,670.00	10,455.66
220 Library and Audio Visual	39,390.00	38,350.32
230 Teaching Supplies	25,546.00	24,047.39
235 Contracted Services for Instruction	12,594.00	11,986.79
290 Other Expenses for Instruction	11,750.00	12,419.86
300 Attendance Services	125.00	125.00

400	Health Services	32,941.00	30,810.50
500	Pupil Transportation	75,000.00	71,973.20
610	Salaries, Custodians	80,826.00	72,432.42
630	Supplies for Operation of Plant	9,000.00	8,562.23
635	Contracted Services	3,640.00	3,563.40
640	Heat for Buildings	11,000.00	12,507.56
645	Utilities	104,200.00	85,835.84
700	Maintenance of Plant	14,471.00	22,135.45
850	Employee Retirement and F.I.C.A.	82,548.00	75,016.19
855	Insurance	47,524.00	42,157.92
860	Rent	.....	.....
900	School Lunch & Special Milk Program	20,765.00	41,522.00
1000	Student Body Activities	27,121.00	24,030.95
1265	Capital Outlay — Sites	.....	4,508.00
1266	Capital Outlay — Buildings	1,000.00	2,619.42
1267	Capital Outlay — New Equipment	32,517.00	39,795.30
1370	Principal of Debt	325,000.00	325,000.00
1371	Interest of Debt	213,762.50	213,762.50
1477.1	Tuition of Other Districts	.....	50.00
1477.3	Supervisory Union Expenses	58,968.35	58,968.35
1479	Expend. to other than Public Schools	2,000.00	1,967.04
1000	Adult Education	3,000.00	7,963.81
	Contingency	.....	.....
	Totals	\$2,128,922.85	\$2,098,197.28
	Total Receipts		2,140,599.21
	Total Expenditures		2,098,197.28
	Balance Returned to Town		\$ 42,401.93

Respectfully submitted,

Leo B. Sanfacon, Chairperson
Mary Lou Grevatt
Elizabeth MacDonald
Alida Millham
James L. Thompson
School Board



Bicentennial Parade — Gilford's 57th Old Home Day/Bicentennial week-end celebration featured the biggest and most spectacular parade ever to traverse our Village Center. The two hour long parade included a great many beautiful bicentennial floats, was attended by the Governor of our State, included much Colonial Era costumery and many American Revolution militia groups such as the one pictured.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

1975 - 1976

Receipts

Balance on hand, July 1, 1975	\$ 1,477.20
Lunch and Milk Receipts	50,456.27
Snack Bar Receipts	25,241.13
Federal Reimbursements	27,532.35
District Appropriation	4,500.00
Miscellaneous Reimbursements	1,595.01
Transfer of Celia Smith Estate to Savings Account	1,000.00
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	\$111,801.96

Expenditures

Food	\$ 48,390.05
Snack Bar Food	13,169.69
Labor	44,879.51
Expendible Supplies	2,491.74
Transfer of Celia Smith Estate to Savings Account	1,000.00
All other Expenditures	1,449.64
Balance on hand, June 30, 1976	421.33
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	\$111,801.96
Celia Smith Estate Savings Accounts	\$ 1,000.00
Interest to 6-30-76	38.03
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	1,038.03

**Gilford Elementary
Middle and High School
Enrollments**

As of December 12, 1976

	Grade	
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	K	70
	1	82
	2	69
	3	51
	4	71
	5	86
MIDDLE SCHOOL	6	77
	7	81
	8	106
HIGH SCHOOL	9	127
	10	147
	11	117
	12	93
TOTAL		<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> 1,177

SALARIES OF ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL

1975-76

Total Salary of Superintendent of Schools was \$22,990 divided as follows:

Laconia — \$13,109.51
Gilmanton — \$1,551.09
Gilford — \$5,829.40
State of N. H. — \$2,500.00

Total Salary of Assistant Superintendent of Schools was \$19,542 divided as follows:

Laconia — \$10,999.45
Gilmanton — \$1,301.43
Gilford — \$4,891.12
State of N. H. — \$2,350.00

Total Salary of Business Administrator was \$15,173 divided as follows:

Laconia — \$8,204.16
Gilmanton — \$970.70
Gilford — \$3,648.14
State of N. H. — \$2,350.00

Births Registered in the Town of Gilford for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (If Any)	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents Resident of	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
1976								
Jan. 8	Laconia	Esther Yu Smith	F	Samuel M. Smith	Hung Nyo Yu	Gilford	Korea	N. H.
15	Laconia	Janice Lee Thompson	F	James Levi Thompson	Jeanne Elizabeth Royce	Gilford	N. H.	Idaho
Feb. 12	Laconia	Heather Leitch	F	Douglas Christie Leitch	Barbara Sue Taylor	Gilford	Penn.	Mass.
22	Laconia	Lindsey Joy Schipul	F	Mark H. Schipul	Carlyne Candace Cameron	Gilford	Florida	Conn.
25	Laconia	Michael James Mooney	M	Arthur Irwin Mooney	Nancy Lee DeHart	Gilford	N. H.	Mass.
Mar. 2	Laconia	Christopher Burr Keith	M	Rowland D. Hazard Keith	Linda Avery Buell	Gilford	Penn.	Conn.
17	Laconia	James Edward Donnelly	M	Jerome Clifford Donnelly	Robert Ann Boyer	Gilford	Mass.	Colorado
24	Laconia	Emily Louise Bug	F	David Allen Bug	Nancy Louise Westbrook	Gilford	S. Dakota	S. Dakota
31	Concord	Justin Lynn Feaster	M	Richard Louis Feaster	Linda Gail Webster	Gilford	Conn.	Oklahoma
Apr. 12	Laconia	Allison Fay Shetler	F	Robert Walter Shetler	Melancy Fay Bullard	Gilford	Mass.	N. Y.
26	Laconia	..... Ploetner	F	Barry Wayne Ploetner	Charlene Janeen Chantler	Gilford	R. I.	R. I.
May 13	Laconia	David Wayne Lehneman	M	Barry Wayne Lehneman	Virginia May Reeve	Gilford	N. H.	Maine
16	Laconia	Kimberlee Anne Duncan	F	Lee Anthony Duncan	Maureen Anne Duncan	Gilford	Mass.	Mass.
17	Concord	Sean Thomas Walsh	M	Wayne Henry Hillsgrave	Nancy Marie Oliver	Gilford	N. H.	N. H.
22	Laconia	Kate Liza Lemay	F	Thomas Joseph Walsh	Lynda Ann Boyd	Gilford	N. H.	N. Y.
June 6	Laconia	Michael John Schafnit	M	Gregory Bruce Lemay	Lauren C. MacMichael	Gilford	R. I.	Conn.
8	Laconia	Adam Michael Royce	M	Leonard John Schafnit	Andrea Jean Sayles	Gilford	R. I.	N. H.
14	Laconia	Brent Benjamin Smith	M	James Dexter Royce	Marlyn Blanch	Gilford	Utah	N. H.
28	Laconia	Kasey Andrew Kortz	M	Nathan Weeks Smith	Carolyn Faith Rapp	Gilford	N. H.	N. H.
Aug. 28	Laconia	Jill Ellen April	F	Kim Brook Kortz	Catherine Ann Rice	Gilford	N. York	N. Jersey
Oct. 7	Laconia	David Barry Northup	M	O. Joseph April	Judith Ey	Gilford	Mass.	Mass.
20	Laconia	Amy Minice Beaudoin	F	Stuart Barry Northup	Christina Thompson Poling	Gilford	N. H.	Penn.
27	Laconia	Zachary Roger Amaden	M	Paul Ernest Beaudoin	Emilliete Drouin	Gilford	Canada	N. H.
Nov. 4	Laconia	Kevin Bruce Rankins	M	Roger Clark Amaden	Colleen Mary Mooney	Gilford	N. H.	N. H.
21	Laconia	Rebecca Hebert Ewens	F	Robert Leonard Rankins	Patricia Audrey Laflamme	Gilford	N. H.	Mass.
Dec. 13	Laconia	Rene Dawn Fasshauer	F	Robert Harvey Ewens III	Stephanie Ann Hebert	Gilford	N. H.	N. H.
				Alan Russell Fasshauer	Janet Bricka DeRoche	Gilford	N. H.	Mass.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, a cording to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LORRAINE T. ROYCE, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilford for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
1976 Feb. 14	Gilford	Peter F. Mawson	Laconia	02-23-47	Mass.	Frederick Mawson	Mass. England	Roy C. Blake, Jr. Pastor Laconia
		Nancy R. Sawyer	Gilford	03-29-49	N. H.	Eileen Cordwell George A. Sawyer Ruth E. Nolan	N. H. Mass.	
21	Newport	Norman P. Fogg	Gilford	12-11-52	N. H.	Roger Fogg Marian Dame	N. H. N. H.	Richard A. Wallace Minister Newport
		Jean A. Hoy	Newport	09-08-56	N. H.	George L. Hoy Jeanette Frye	N. H. Mass.	
21	Gilford	Daniel A. Hoelzel	Londonderry	09-15-46	N. H.	Raymond I. Hoelzel Catherine Richardson	Mass. N. H.	Floyd M. Kinsley Clergyman Wolfeboro
		Tina C. Simmons	Derry	09-22-52	N. H.	Vernon A. Simmons Martha H. Heath	Mass. N. H.	
21	Gilford	Sheldon C. Morgan	Gilford	04-05-49	N. H.	Donald W. Morgan Jeannette Goss	Conn. N. H.	Lawrence Richardson Justice of the Peace Laconia
		Judith A. Murphy	Gilford	09-01-48	N. H.	George D. Burrows Janet Bullis	N. H. Mass.	
26	Portsmouth	Francis A. Burpee	Gilford	10-17-29	N. H.	Francis A. Burpee Josephine M. Moser	N. H. Nova Scotia	Howard W. Sibson Justice of the Peace Portsmouth
		Natalie J. Thomas	Gilford	05-13-29	Mass.	Stillman E. McKerley Amelia B. Wilson	N. H. New York	
Mar. 6	Dover	David A. Goodwin	Gilford	10-21-44	N. H.	Henry H. Goodwin Dorothy M. Patterson	Maine N. H.	L. Arthur Domingue Minister Dover
		Ann F. Redden	Dover	07-04-52	N. H.	Thomas P. Redden Amelia Gregoire	N. H. Maine	
27	Laconia	Philip J. Giuffrida	Gilford	07-26-51	Mass.	Donald Giuffrida Virginia Dymont	Mass. Utah	Duncan S. Campbell Bishop Laconia
		Jody I. Searle	Meredith	01-05-58	Canada	Harold D. Searle, Jr. Nancy Cookman	Mass. Mass.	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilford — Continued

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
31	Laconia	Steven R. Brooks	Laconia	04-14-54	N. H.	Earl Brooks Jean Dumais	N. H. Canada	Lou Athanas Justice of the Peace Laconia
Apr. 3	Dover	Phyllis K. Kimball	Gilford	03-10-57	N. H.	Wesley Kimball Gladys Breese	N. H. N. H.	Roy Swanson Minister Durham
3	Laconia	Richard D. Townsend	Nottingham	04-02-17	Mass.	Robert W. Townsend Garrie P. Brackett	Mass. Mass.	E. Earent Grevatt Pastor Laconia
		Sylvia R. Richardson	Gilford	02-04-29	N. H.	George W. Weston Ruth E. Colburn	N. H. N. H.	Dennis Horan Pastor Marlborough
		Glenn A. Walter	Gilford	08-02-34	N. Y.	Francis Walter Thelma Devitt	New York New York	Floyd G. Kinsley Clergyman Wolfeboro
		Patricia J. Lord	Gilford	12-23-45	Mass.	Richard Lord Anita LaPointe	Mass. Mass.	Robert Kemmery R. C. Priest Laconia
10	Manchester	Peter J. Klein	Pleasant Valley, NY	07-02-49	Austria	Peter Klein Maria Gross	Yugoslavia Yugoslavia	Arthur E. Law, Jr. Justice of the Peace Tilton
		Ann E. Hayner	Gilford	09-29-48	Mass.	Margaret O'Shea Kenneth F. Carder	Mass. Vermont	
May 8	Gilford	Carl R. Carder	Mercedith	12-08-51	S. C.	Irene R. Baron Lawrence E. Lamont, Sr.	N. H. N. H.	
		Wanda R. Lawrence	Gilford	10-23-56	N. H.	Helen V. Leonard Louis H. Plourde	N. H. Mass.	
8	Laconia	Armand L. Plourde	Gilford	06-18-49	Mass.	Marguerite Zussy Charles Peaslee	Mass. N. H.	
		Linda K. Peaslee	Laconia	08-12-50	N. H.	Charlotte Avery Cy Malone	N. H. Mass.	
19	Tilton	Kenneth D. Malone	Gilford	09-27-55	N. H.	Fraances V. Dunkin Lawrence Kearns	Conn. Conn.	
		Ann M. Kearns	Laconia	05-05-56	N. H.	Florence Paquette	N. H.	

22	Gilford	James R. Caverly	Meredith	03-17-45	N. H.	Gardner Caverly Abbie Rollins	N. H.	Raleigh H. Dutton Minister Framingham, Mass.
22	Gilford	Mary E. Richardson	Gilford	05-12-48	N. H.	Carl Richardson Silvia Weston	New York N. H.	Lorraine T. Royce Justice of the Peace Gilford
28	Gilford	David T. Hicks	Hanson, Mass.	04-07-56	Mass.	Herman B. Hicks Helen Nowell	Canada Mass.	Gary P. Mauck Minister Lakeport
29	Gilford	Helen J. Gorski	Hanson, Mass.	09-17-56	Mass.	John S. Gorski Helene Haley	Mass. Georgia	Robert J. Kemmery R. C. Priest Laconia
June 5	Gilford	Greig C. Drury	Laconia	11-08-56	Vt.	Alfred Drury Phyllis Kelley	Vermont Penn.	David W. Bell Clergyman Laconia
13	Laconia	Cathie J. Inglis	Gilford	07-27-55	N. H.	Lawrence Inglis Beverly Davis	N. H.	Daniel R. Deveau Catholic Priest Laconia
18	Gilford	Joseph H. Latouche	Gilford	09-13-49	N. Y.	Henry L. Latouche Grace Dipplitto	N. H.	John A. Veazey Justice of the Peace Laconia
19	Gilford	Bonnie J. Munsey	Gilford	10-03-55	N. H.	Ernest B. Munsey Jeanne Roucher	New York Penn.	Joseph D. Parkman Clergy Meredith
26	Gilford	Richard D. Pliskaner, Jr.	Gilford	07-16-56	Mass.	Richard D. Pliskaner Irene F. Loveless	Mass. Mass.	Margarete M. Stafford Justice of the Peace Laconia
26	Laconia	Cynthia S. Foster	Gilford	12-05-56	Mass.	Norman Foster Marilyn J. Porcella	Mass. Canada	Bernard I. Snierston Justice of the Peace Laconia
26	Gilford	Emile W. Belanger	Laconia	07-08-27	N. H.	Paul Belanger Rose Picard	Vermont Canada	John S. Allen Rector Laconia
26	Gilford	Louise E. Covey	Gilford	11-14-27	N. H.	Milo J. Unwin Eva E. Morey	N. H.	
26	Gilford	Neil C. Lanzendorf	Gilford	09-18-34	Minn.	Oren G. Lanzendorf Letha M. Johnson	Iowa Stelly	
26	Gilford	Virginia A. Waites	Kerrville, Texas	09-11-40	Texas	Carl H. Lauricella Myrtle B. Robinson	Texas Vermont	
26	Gilford	Thomas R. Roys	Gilford	06-03-50	Mass.	Edwin F. Roys Carolyn E. Roulstone	Mass. N. H.	
26	Gilford	Karen L. Copp	Belmont	06-04-57	N. H.	George B. Copp, Sr. Pauline L. Weeks	N. H.	
26	Gilford	Bruce C. J. Arner	Greeley, Colo.	11-26-49	Arizona	William M. Arner Adelaide Kubas	New York New Jersey	
26	Gilford	Bonnie B. Welsh	Greeley, Colo.	10-05-54	N. J.	Jack B. Welsh Helen Lake	New Jersey New Jersey	
26	Laconia	David E. Dunlap	Concord, N. H.	07-04-23	N. H.	Clifton S. Dunlap Hazel Elliott	N. H.	
26	Laconia	Judith Hounsell	Gilford	09-14-35	MO	Henry Bergmann Edna Wolken	Missouri Missouri	
26	Laconia	Randy J. Keith	Tilton	08-28-54	N. H.	Charles E. Keith Dolores Drapeau	N. H.	
26	Laconia	Donna L. Edgar	Gilford	05-02-57	N. Y.	William E. Edgar Catherine Swain	N. H. New York	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilford — Continued

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
26	Gilford	Wesley Thayer	Durham, Conn.	06-27-57	Conn.	Barnard B. Thayer	Conn.	David W. Bell
		Cathy L. Moore	Gilford	08-01-57	N. H.	Marion E. Philbrick	N. H.	Clergyman
July 3	Lakeport	Robert G. Locke	Goffstown, N. H.	03-17-52	Maine	Clifton L. Moore	N. H.	Laconia
		Mary A. Mayo	Gilford	05-14-50	N. H.	Helen M. Elliott	N. H.	Gary P. Mauck
3	Laconia	Robert H. Ewens III	Gilford	06-23-56	N. H.	Edwin Locke	Maine	Minister
		Stephanie A. Hobert	Gilford	08-12-56	N. H.	Marion Adams	N. H.	Lakeport
4	Gilford	Volkmar J. Hartje	Sanbornton	12-19-47	W. Ger.	Arthur W. Marshall	N. H.	R. Blair
		Katrina M. Carye	Boston, Mass.	09-24-49	Mass.	Doris G. Grant	N. H.	R. C. Priest
11	Lakeport	Frank I. deHaven III	Gilford	01-06-33	N. H.	Robert H. Ewens, Jr.	Conn.	Nanchester
		Roberta A. Laramie	Laconia	03-20-41	N. H.	Phyllis Delise	N. H.	Floyd G. Kinsley
17	Gilford	Andre R. Nadeau	Laconia	06-22-45	N. H.	Armand L. Hebert	W. Germany	Clergyman
		Rachel A. Breton	Gilford	03-21-48	N. H.	Otto Hartje	Germany	Wolfeboro
Aug. 6	Laconia	Vincent F. Dooley	Gilford	12-11-17	Conn.	Barbara Convery	Mass.	Gary P. Mauck
		Barbara E. Fairfield	Laconia	01-21-18	N. H.	Frank deHaven, Jr.	Penn.	Minister
						Margery Dietrich	N. Jersey	Lakeport
						Roland Biron	N. H.	Albert W. Hunt
						Edna Brunt	Mass.	Justice of the Peace
						Alfred J. Nadeau	N. H.	Laconia
						Marie-Anne Villeneuve	N. H.	
						Roland A. Breton	N. H.	
						Rita B. Cole	N. H.	
						Vincent P. Dooley	Penn.	E. Barent Grevati
						Ultima Robinson	Conn.	Pastor
						Ralph Amsden	Mass.	Laconia
						Gladys Austin	N. H.	

Marriages Registered in the Town of Gilford — Continued

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
18	Laconia	Bradley W. Wood	Gilford	01-26-53	Mass.	William A. Wood Barbara Hill	Mass. Mass.	Arthur C. Urie Minister Laconia
		Patricia Ireland	Tilton	01-31-54	N. J.	Clifford E. Ireland Harriett A. Schrieffer	New Jersey New York	
25	Gilford	Stephen S. Brown	Gilford	09-18-48	Wisc.	Robert W. Brown Betty Parson	Illinois W. Virginia	Bernard W. Krueger Minister Franklin
		Nancy J. Frost	Gilford	03-11-49	N. H.	Donald B. Frost Mary H. Fahey	N. H. N. H.	
25	Gilford	Bruce D. Bullerwell	Gilford	04-24-58	Maine	Thomas D. Bullerwell Dora Jean Brown	Maine Mass.	Raymond C. Wixson Ordained Minister Gilford
		Sharon D. Stalker	Gilford	09-30-56	Mass.	Peter D. Stalker Eleanor M. Johnson	Mass. Maine	
25	Gilford	Russell W. Howe	Sanbornton	06-24-54	N. H.	James W. Howe Arline P. Roberts	Canada Mass.	Raymond C. Wixson Ordained Minister Gilford
		Sandra E. Page	Gilford	02-10-57	N. H.	Maurice W. Page Evelyn L. Tucker	N. H. N. H.	
30	Laconia	Donald A. Spear	Gilford	06-25-34	N. H.	Henry T. Spear Margaret Orndall	N. H. Canada	Donald C. Alden Justice of the Peace Laconia
		Nancy-Lee M. Tardif	Laconia	07-13-41	N. H.	Arthur Sinclair Alice Constant	N. H. N. H.	
Oct. 2	Laconia	Peter G. Harris	Gilford	07-31-52	N. H.	George H. Harris Etva Glidden	N. H. N. H.	Theodore J. Stavru Priest Concord
		Susan T. Sotiriou	Gilford	01-13-54	N. H.	Socrates C. Sotirion Helen Contraros	N. H. Mass.	
8	Gilford	Randal R. Collins	Gilford	02-12-49	N. H.	Clayton J. Collins Dorothy N. Johnson	N. H. N. H.	Aline L. Jacobs Justice of the Peace Gilford
		Donna L. Maguire	Gilford	03-02-54	N. Y.	Frank A. Maguire Sarah Doushless	Penn. New York	

8	Gilford	George A. Gonyer	Gilford	03-30-32	N. H.	Alfred L. Gonyer Yvonne Breton John Bisson Irene Pickard Thomas J. Clark Margaret Walsh Hugh Dawson Florence Monson John F. White, Sr. Alice S. Ferreira John E. Patterson Kathleen V. King Lee R. Mayes Helen Batimovich Raymond A. Landry Darlene A. Maynard Elmer L. Higgins Rutha Jenness Robert J. Murtagh Frances R. Castagna Irving Selig Francis Brindis Carl L. England Johnnie L. Campbell	Canada N. H. N. H. N. H. New Jersey Mass. Mass. Mass. Mass. Mass. Alabama N. Carolina Texas Washington N. H. Ohio New Jersey Mass. New York New York Russia Wisconsin Tennessee Tennessee	Lorraine T. Royce Justice of the Peace Gilford David W. Bell Clergyman Laconia Lorraine T. Royce Justice of the Peace Laconia Paul Vaichunas Priest Lakeport Raymond C. Wixson Ordained Minister Gilford Bradley T. Kidder Justice of the Peace Laconia			
Nov. 13	Gilford	Diane I. Truell	Gilford	12-09-41	N. H.						
	Gilford	William J. Clark	Gilford	04-04-40	N. J.						
		Nancy D. Elliott	Northfield	07-01-47	Mass.						
19	Gilford	John F. White, Jr.	Gilford	11-25-39	Mass.						
		Dale V. Patterson	Gilford	03-25-49	Florida						
26	Lakeport	Joseph M. Mayes	Ocean Shores, Wash.	02-27-56	Wash.						
		Adrienne A. Landry	Gilford	04-28-57	N. H.						
27	Gilford	Richard L. Higgins	Gilford	05-31-50	N. J.						
		Susan A. Murtagh	Gilford	09-22-53	N. Y.						
Dec. 31	Gilford	Steven D. Selig	Gilford	11-09-42	N. H.						
		Rita J. England	Gilford	09-23-49	Tenn.						

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LORRAINE T. ROYCE, Town Clerk

Deaths Registered in the Town of Gilford for the Year Ending December 31, 1976

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Sing., Mar., Wid.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1976										
Jan. 4	Laconia	George E. Lynch	72	Maine	M	W	M	Stock Room Attendant (ret)	Edward Lynch Sanford E Hayes	Lottie Waycott Amelia Cole
9	Laconia	Thlema B. Manning	74	Michigan	F	W	W	Salesperson	Ernest Sawyer	Sadie Adams
11	Beverly, Ma.	Dorothy Ames	79	N. H.	F	W	W	Co-Farmer (ret)	..... Hyland	Emily S. E. Harvey
26	Laconia	Ruth Sawyer Wilson	68	Ireland	F	W	W	Housewife	Louis R. Collins	Ella White
27	Laconia	Katharine Mitchell	71	Connecticut	F	W	D	Schoolteacher	Michael Rowan	Mary C. Hunt
Feb. 1	Laconia	Emily C. Vincent	60	Mass.	F	W	M	Salesman	Harry J. Kelley	Mary Ellen Hayes
29	Laconia	John Edmund Rowan	72	Maine	F	W	M	Housewife	James N. Ames	Katharine Reynard
Mar. 6	Laconia	Frances Kelley Talbot	57	Mass.	F	W	M	Farmer	James Burke	Anna Louise Lindberg
16	Concord	H. Thurlow Ames	96	New York	F	W	M	Social Worker	John E. Sandstrom	Dora Belle Wilkinson
17	Laconia	Katharine Burge Dooley	61	Mass.	F	W	W	Housewife	Henry Frank Bacon	Cora Cutler
18	Rindge	Lillian Louise Dahlgren	86	N. H.	F	W	W	Salesperson	Guy Gardner	
21	Laconia	Margaret Bacon Wilkinson	72	Mass.	F	W	W	Lumberman	..... Korpi	
23	Laconia	Walter Cutler Gardner	88	Mass.	F	W	M	Housewife	Charles H. Corliss	Cora Parker
Apr. 18	Laconia	Maria K. Willberg	79	Finland	F	W	M	Civil Engineer	David Duncan Crawford	Katherine Neil
May 9	Gilford	Haven Elmayer Corliss	79	N. H.	M	W	M	Major US Army & Office Mgr.		
12	Laconia	David John Crawford	59	Mass.	M	W	M			
24	York, Maine	Kathelene M. Rand	62		F	W				
27	Birmingham, Ala.	Matthew Chatmond Gibbs	1 day	Alabama	M	W		Maintenance (ret)	Richard W. Gibbs	Marcia Guild Gibbs
30	Laconia	Louis A. DeHart	86	Vermont	M	W	W	Truck driver	Thomas H. Gorman	Mary B. Coty
June 27	Laconia	Henry C. Gorman	65	Mass.	M	W	W	Housewife	Fred Metzger	Elizabeth (Unknown)
July 19	Meredith	Emilie S. Hopf	91	New Jersey	F	W	W	Foundry Work. (ret)	John Tardy	Delia Bouffard
26	Laconia	Roy Tardy	76	N. H.	M	W	W	Teacher	William H. Pallett	Carrie Cooper
Aug. 9	Laconia	Donald Hollis Pallett	75	Nebraska	M	W	M	Laborer (ret)	Charles W. Hunt	Elizabeth Lupein
14	Laconia	Thomas W. Hunt	76	N. H.	M	W	S	Contractor	Ralph E. Scribner	Frances Hanson
24	Alton	Ralph Otis Scribner	38	Mass.	M	W	M	Vice-Pres. (ret)	Cesar Luchini	Anna Ferranti
Sept. 24	Belmont, Ma.	Peter J. Luchini	71	Mass.	M	W	M			
15	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.	Kenneth H. Forkey	80		M	W				
Oct. 1	Laconia	George Symington	83	Ireland	M	W	M	Pickler	William Symington	Elizabeth McQuade
13	Laconia	Ruth Breed Smith	86	Mass.	F	W	W	Housewife	Frank T. Breed	Otella Maria Eklund
Nov. 27	Laconia	Bernice M. Percival	40	Canada	F	W	W	Housewife	George A. Moore	Jean A. Laird
30	Barford, Vt.	Bartolomeo NMI Rigazio	67	Mass.	M	W	W	Dredge Mate	Giovanni Rigazio	Rose Bollea
Dec. 6	Gilford	Irma S. Fortin	70	Illinois	F	W	W	School teacher	Fred Snyder	Emma Hall
12	Gilford	John Banfil Ledgard	57	Mass.	M	W	W	Pharmacist	James J. Ledgard	Dolly H. Banfil
23	Meredith	Mary J. Wilmarth	79	Mass.	F	W	W	Housewife	Joseph Smith	Marion Silva
31	Hanover	Walter A. Woodward	73	N. H.	M	W	M	Auto dealer	Frank Woodward	Grace Dustin

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